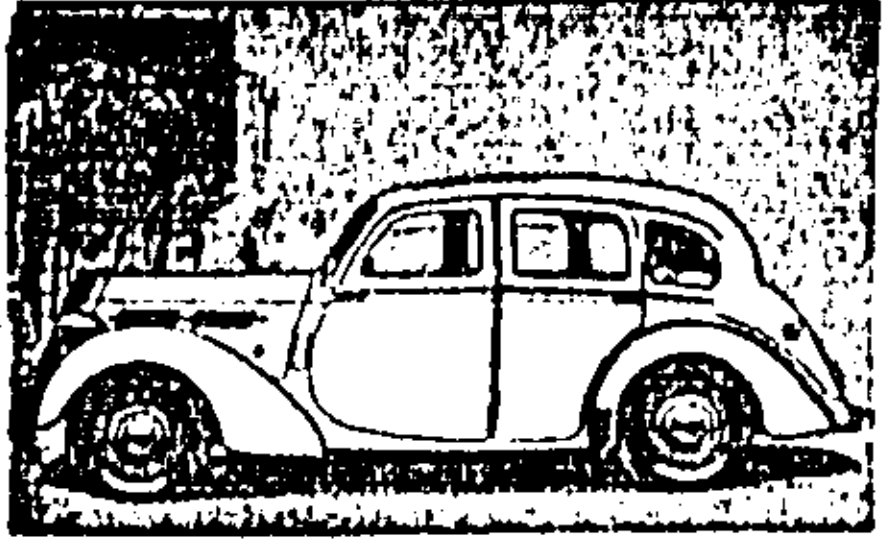


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INSURGENT VICTORY ENVISAGED BY POWERS

LONDON, Jan. 22.

WITH GENERAL FRANCO steadily closing in on Barcelona, the "Observer" diplomatic correspondent discusses the possible effect on German and Italian diplomacy of a Franco victory in Spain.

The writer states that consultations have taken place through diplomatic channels between the British and French governments about the potential effect, especially on France, of an insurgent victory.

He adds that it is not feared that either Germany or Italy will obtain any strategic footing in Spain, "as it is recognised that General Franco's following is as nationalist in the Spanish sense, as Hitler's is in the German sense, and Mussolini's is in the Italian sense."

INSURGENT VANGUARD NEAR CITY

LERIDA, Jan. 22.

AS A RESULT of to-day's advance, the Insurgents claim that their front line is now within 15 miles of Barcelona at certain points.

The Insurgent phalanx of 150,000 faces the Llobregat River defences running north-westwards from the coast.

Progress averaging five miles is also claimed on the 25-mile front from Igualada to Vilanova, and that simultaneously the Insurgents are advancing along the road to Sol de Urdal and the Barcelona road, with the evident intention of severing Barcelona's link with France.

SUPPLIES FROM FRANCE?

The Insurgent authorities at Burgos declare that war material for the Loyalists, including 22 tanks passed through the frontier towns of Port Vendres, Cerberes and Laperthus on Friday night.

Customs officers in those towns received orders to permit passage of the material, they add. A Valencia message says that the British steamer Stanholme was slightly damaged in an air raid this morning in the course of which 50 bombs dropped.—Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK IN AIR RAID

Barcelona, Jan. 22.
Ten air raids have been made on the city in the last 24 hours, but the number of casualties and the amount of damage is not yet ascertainable. It is reported that the British steamer, African Mariner, was sunk during one of today's raids.

The air raids led to a spectacular air battle over the city, in which 40 insurgent and 24 Loyalist planes participated.

The Insurgents are apparently attempting an air blockade in order to prevent supplies reaching the city. The planes are paying particular attention to the coastal road to France.—Reuter.

GUARD FOR ROYALTY

Women To Appear
In Court To-day

LONDON, Jan. 22.

TWO WOMEN arrested in Manchester and charged under the Explosive Substances Act, will both appear in court on Monday.

Special police precautions following the bombing outrages, have extended to Sandringham, where the King and Queen, and other members of the royal family are staying.—Reuter.

Miss Leung Sheung-ehi has been appointed to be a member of the Nurses Board for a period of three years, with effect from December 10, 1938, vice Mrs. Wong Chow Fuk-ying, resigned.

Chinese Girl From H.K. In Television



A.R.P. In Chungking

WAR CAPITAL IS HONEYCOMBED WITH TUNNELS

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22.

WHEN THE air-raid sirens shriek their warning signal this summer, more than 100,000 of Chungking's estimated population of 700,000 will trek swiftly to the capital city's newest bomb-proof shelter, a 4,100 metre tunnel drilled into solid rock.

When the war is over, China's engineers will be prepared to show the world how a war-shelter can be quickly turned into a peace-time subway, China's first.

Chungking itself is still comparatively safe from mass bombings. Japanese planes have flown over the city five times during the hostilities and have found the city but once.

A blanket of clouds, mist and smoke shrouds the city virtually every day. Until this blanket lifts or the Japanese planes encounter one of the few sunny days, the city will be comparatively safe.

Chinese anti-aircraft units outside the city with the exception of the last raid have remained silent and all Chinese fighting craft grounded during the raids in order not to give away the exact locality to the raiders.

FORCED TO FLY HIGH

In addition, Japanese bombers are forced to fly high—sacrificing accuracy for safety—in order to escape the attacking Chinese pursuit planes.

The flying distance from Hankow, the present Japanese base, to Chungking is too great for the limited cruising range of the fast Japanese pursuit planes, so the bombers are forced to depend on their own armaments for protection.

During the first raid the Japanese bombers made on Chengtu, which is only slightly further from Hankow than is Chungking, six of the heavy bombers were shot down by the faster Chinese pursuit planes.

An American pilot, now employed by the Chinese Government, testified to this, and then pointed out that a protective squadron of pursuit planes, probably none of the bombers would have been lost.

BOMB-PROOF TUNNEL

Recognising the possibility of a Japanese thrust to the west, where a base could be established for daily and protected raids, to Ichang and the actuality of coming summer days when the cloud blanket would no longer protect Chungking, Chinese engineers studied the problem and produced plans for a bomb-proof tunnel.

Ground was broken on August 13, 1938, the first anniversary of the outbreak of the Shanghai hostilities. Since then, more than 250 labourers have been excavating the tunnel, while hundreds of other coolies trot up and down the hills, carrying the excavated sandstone to the river and other points where the stone can be used for construction purposes.

MISS AILLEN TAI, a Hong-kong Chinese girl who is visiting London, was one of many people from all parts of the British Empire who were televised at Alexandria Palace, North London, during the Television broadcast of the 200th Edition of "Picture Page," a popular series of telecasts. Miss Tai is on extreme right of group. In the photograph are, back row, from left to right, Captain Tawera Moana (Maori); Lance-Corporal McDowell (Canadian "Mountie"); and Amu (African piper). In the front, from left to right, are Miss Mya Shin (Burmese), Miss Virjee (Indian), Miss Cecily Demetrius (West Indies), Miss Aillean Tai (Hongkong), and, extreme right, the Red Indian Chief, Os-ke-non-ton.—Photograph by courtesy B.B.C.

APPEAL ON BEHALF OF CHINA

GENEVA, Jan. 20.

LORD CECIL, in his capacity as chairman of the International Peace Campaign, issued an appeal to-day on behalf of China for international assistance in her war of resistance against Japanese aggression. Lord Cecil's appeal was issued in respect of the League Council's resolution on the China question.

Local Cecil urged closer co-operation between the member states of the League in lending aid to China to enable her win the war. He also appealed to international public opinion to uphold China's cause and to condemn Japanese aggression.

Lord Cecil pointed out that China is not only fighting for her own national sovereignty, but is also waging a war to safeguard international law and order and world justice and righteousness.

APPEAL TO DEMOCRACY

Lord Cecil appealed for the co-operation of Great Britain, France, and the U.S.S.R., the three most important Powers in the League, and the United States, to ensure that whatever promises given China are carried out in parallel and simultaneous actions, including moral and financial assistance.

Lord Cecil stated that although the United States is not a member state of the League, her signature in the Nine Power Pact and her deeprooted interest in the Far East call for joint action with the major League Powers in regard to offering aid to China.

Lord Cecil applauded the financial aid Great Britain and the United States are extending to China, and hoped that similar assistance will be forthcoming from other nations. He also hoped that these nations will ban the export of arms and ammunition to Japan and also the import of Japanese goods to their own countries.—Central News.

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20 ENTRANCES

There are 20 entrances to the tunnel, and either by chance or choice, the main entrance is at the "Gate of the Goddess of Mercy," outside Tung Yuan Men, the west gate to the city. There is an entrance at each of the five city gates, one just off the main business centre, and one in Central Park (where a few scraggy animals and birds hold forth in the capital's only zoo).

These entrances lead direct from the streets, while others are formed by ladders, and one by a shaft. The tunnel will be 2.5 metres wide and the same distance from top to bottom. The arched ceiling is from 10 to 30 metres from the surface of the ground above, and is constructed mostly through solid rock. Wherever earth is encountered, concrete arches are being constructed to make the tunnel bomb-proof.

AIR PUMPED IN

Ten air pumps, each of five to ten horsepower will be installed to provide ventilation. A generator will also be installed to provide light, and also power for a system of loud speakers whereby instructions can be broadcast to the people in the tunnel during raids.

After the war is ended, the tunnel will be converted into a subway, "for passenger and freight traffic from one end of the peninsula to the other," a Chinese official told the United Press. To go from one end of the city to the other now involves either walking up and down endless flights of steps or following a tortuous winding street that is jammed all hours of the day with thousands of coolies and pedestrians.

Total construction cost is estimated at 700,000 Chinese dollars. The Ministry of Finance allocated 200,000 yuan of this while the remainder will be borne by the Chungking Air Defence Headquarters.

CHOKED WITH REFUGEES

Because all of Chungking's buildings are old and constitute a real fire hazard, the city is choked with three times its normal population, the fire-fighting equipment is scanty and water-pressure is low, every effort has been made to provide bomb-proof shelters. More than 50 public dugouts

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SEARCH FOR LOST AIR-LINER CONTINUED

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.

PLANS ARE being pushed ahead for the intensification of a search at dawn for the Imperial Airways flyingboat, Cavalier, which sank in the Atlantic.

The U.S. Navy's dirigible K-2, and nine Army flying-fortresses, as well as a large Navy plane are preparing to go to the scene of the disaster.

Nine coastguard cutters and a Navy gunboat are joining craft already searching the seas.

PALESTINE VIOLENCE CONTINUES

24-Hour Curfew Re-imposed

JERUSALEM, Jan. 22.
BEHOR MURASH, a prominent Jewish merchant was shot dead by Arabs in the heart of the city to-day.

A 24-hour curfew has been imposed in Jerusalem, while the Old City was searched following the murder of Behor Murash.

Unknown men shot and killed Sheikh Nabulsi, a mosque gatekeeper to-day.

Two Jews were wounded while unloading petrol at the Imperial Airways aeroplane base on the Sea of Galilee.

Another message from Jerusalem says that Raghib Nasashibi, leader of the Palestine Arab Defence Party (Moderates) broke a long silence by calling to his cousin, who is acting as leader of the party. The public expression of approval of the recent parleys with the authorities concerning representation of the Defence Party at the London conversations.

The fact that the party leader has broken a silence which terrorism hitherto had made advisable, is regarded as a significant development.—Reuter.

German Warning To The Czechs

Berlin, Jan. 22.
M. Chvalkovsky, the Czech Foreign Minister, has been given to understand that there should not be room in Czechoslovakia for a policy directed against Germany, said a German spokesman, commenting on M. Chvalkovsky's visit.

M. Chvalkovsky's discussions with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop and Herr Hitler were restricted to economic problems and political relations, and military questions were not touched.

The "National Zeitung" expects from the visit further improvement in Czechoslovak relations, not only with Germany, but also Hungary.—Reuter.

His Excellency the Governor has approved the promotions of Second Lieutenant John Watson to be a Lieutenant and Second Lieutenant George Frederick Rees to be Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

ARAB ENVOYS LEAVING Start for L'don Parleys To-morrow

CAIRO, Jan. 22.
THE REPORT that the Palestine Arab delegates have decided not to go to London is denied by Dr. Hussaini Khalidi, one of the delegates, who was formerly Mayor of Jerusalem.

He told "Reuter": "We are starting for London on Tuesday, and are hopeful of success."

Meanwhile Nouri Said, accompanied by Jamal Huddoni left this morning by air for Beirut where, it is understood, he will endeavour to persuade the Grand Mufti to agree to the British Government's desire that all the Palestine parties, including the opposition, should be represented at the London conference. It is understood that this desire was stressed in a communication from the London conference.—Reuter.

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

WOMAN GUEST AT EARL'S PARTY IS VICTIM OF "PERFECT ROBBERY"



Ending traditions of 60 years, New York City closed the Sixth Avenue Elevated structure and soon will tear it down. A new subway is being built under the avenue. Revellers thronged the last train to run, shown above, stripping it of movable parts for souvenirs.

LEGLESS DOCTOR'S DIARY OF PAIN

A LONDON surgeon who, after having his legs amputated wrote, for the benefit of his profession, an analysis of his 15 years of suffering, died at his home recently.

He was 72-year-old Mr. E. B. Waggett, of Cavendish Court, Wigmore Street, W., for many years consulting surgeon to the throat and ear department at Charing Cross Hospital.

In his "diary of pain," Mr. Waggett described how he regained happiness and efficiency after having his legs taken off above the knees.

He recorded his reactions to the "intolerable pain," which had compelled him to take this bold step. He classified three degrees of pain.

"TORTURE RACK"

Degree 1.—Possible to control all voluntary muscles, except those of the forehead; had to blink to prevent the whites of the eyes showing. Temples perspired freely.

Degree 2.—Comparable to the torture rack. The voice went to an uncontrollable falsetto. Tears flowed freely, but there was neither emotional nor muscular sense of weeping.

Degree 3.—No one could endure this degree for many minutes and remain conscious. The vocal cords do not act at all.

He remarked that after having relief for 18 months he found it impossible to re-create the pain in memory.

ALWAYS GAY

Sir Philip Gibbs, a close friend of Mr. Waggett, said: "He was the most wonderful example of courage I ever met. In spite of all his pain he was a man of the most extraordinary cheerfulness. He was always gay and light-hearted."

"When he sat at the table of the 'council of Charing Cross Hospital' after his operation it was impossible to believe that anything was wrong with him. He was a very handsome and fine-looking man. His courage and cheerfulness abashed one."

TOLEDO BUSY OIL PORT

Although no oil was handled through the port here 10 years ago, it is expected that 1938 shipments may top 1,000,000 tons. Last year, more than 500,531 tons of oil products were handled in and out by lake freighters.

A.R.P. Minister Promises Big Speed-Up

SIR John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Civil Defence, returned from holiday recently to defend the civil defence programme against the attacks which have been launched upon it during his absence abroad.

"We are," he declared, "working on the assumption that there is risk of war within a comparatively short time. But that does not mean we expect war." Deliberate equipment for defence originally planned for 1941, will now be substantially completed during 1939.

Coincident with his statement the Ministry of Health announced that for the purposes of the A.R.P. evacuation scheme the country is to be divided into three groups:

A limited number of large, crowded areas from which evacuation is to take place.

"Neutral" areas, not to be evacuated or used for billeting.

Twenty of the biggest cities and towns are scheduled for evacuation and 300 boroughs and urban areas are "neutral" zones. The evacuation scheme, it is understood, extends to women, children, and workers in non-essential occupations.

Reception areas for refugees.

Firemen's Lack Of Equipment

SIR John Anderson in his statement disclosed details of policy and achievement under the following principal heads:

Evacuation.—All arrangements for transport, reception, and feeding are already complete. A scheme complete in every detail will soon be in his hands.

Recruiting.—The gap to be filled in the first line of civil defence is very small.

Air Raid Warnings.—Efforts are being made to create a "corporate sense" which will keep wardens enthusiastic after their training period.

Bomb-Proof Shelters.—Any application for grant by a local authority will be considered on its merits, even though a general policy has not been worked out.

Trenches.—Many authorities have already made their trenches complete. Others are waiting only for suitable weather conditions.

Fire Brigade Equipment.—All deficiencies will shortly be overcome.

National Register.—A compulsory Register as such would be an absolutely useless instrument. The question of compulsory training, as a separate matter, has not been discussed.

SPEED-UP DECISION

"There is," Sir John Anderson said, "a good deal of fundamental misapprehension about civilian defence generally. Until last September the Department was working on plans which contemplated that preparations should be complete by a certain date."

"At the end of that month the Government made fresh decisions which involved a fundamentally different view of the problem—a great speeding up in enrolling and training"

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volunteers and a planned system of evacuation.

"Civilian defence has been criticised, I think unfairly, in the Press. In regard to fire brigade organisation, for example, it was not until July, 1938, that the Home Office got administrative control over fire brigade organisation."

"Certain plans were put in hand by the Government and they were to be completed by 1941. Those plans included the provision of equipment to be held in reserve for dealing with fires that might result from aeroplane attacks."

"Under that scheme 21,000 Fire Brigade units were to be supplied. When the emergency occurred last year the position was reviewed, and in the light of the crisis orders had to be telescoped and everything speeded up. It may now be anticipated that all orders for equipment will be substantially completed by the end of 1939, though we had envisaged 1941 as the date for completion. By the end of next week the number of units whose equipment has been actually ordered will be 17,000, including deliveries already made."

EVACUATION POSITION
"There is nothing that could be described as 'muddled'; there has been steady progress on an organised plan. There is no doubt whatever that the fire brigades will have all their equipment needs, that they will get all they require for training recruits."

"In regard to evacuation, our plans at one end are practically complete. All arrangements for transport are complete—at any rate in London, though there are still gaps in the Provinces."

"During the crisis complete arrangements for looking after refugees could not be made in detail, but I shall soon be in possession of a complete scheme."

Turning to recruiting, Sir John said: "So far as civil defence is concerned, the gap which has to be filled before we have all the recruits we require to form our first line of civil defence is very small."

"But I do not propose to stop after the completion of the first line. I propose to carry on until we have a substantial reserve. We intend to continue and speed up the necessary training and have guaranteed that the local authorities shall be in a position to get all the equipment required."

WATERLOGGED TRENCHES
"To suggest that there has been any significant falling off of recruits would be quite false."

"I have no doubt whatever that our arrangements will be complete towards the end of this month and when we have our handbook available we shall have all the recruits we require to complete the first line."

The "campaign" in regard to the unfinished trenches had, he suggested, been largely inspired by the dismal spectacle of waterlogged refugees in various parts of the country.

The Home Office had, however, reviewed the matter and drawn up its specifications. The matter was one for the local authorities, who had in many cases been subjected to enforced delays through abnormally bad weather.

POLICE at the Earl of Iveagh's country mansion at Thetford, Suffolk, are investigating a robbery which reads like a problem in a detective novel.

Jewels, furs, and cash valued at £1,200, the property of Lady O'Hagan, a guest, vanished within a period which has been narrowed down to two hours—and there is no trace of the house having been forcibly entered.

Windows were searched in vain for finger-prints; flowerbeds yielded no footprints.

Elveden Hall, the Earl's mansion, was the scene of one of his shooting parties during the week-end. Other guests at the party were Lord and Lady Ellistley, Lord O'Hagan, the Hon. A. E. Guinness (the Earl of Iveagh's son), Sir Douglas Malcolm and Lady Malcolm, and the Countess Hoehberg.

JEWEL CASE MISSING

After dinner Lady O'Hagan, who lives at Ickworth Lodge, near Bury St. Edmunds, went to her bedroom in the west wing of the house to leave her fox furs and noticed that her rough crocodile-skin dressing-case which contained her jewels and money was in place.

Two hours later, she again went to her bedroom and found furs and dressing-case gone.

The Earl of Iveagh telephoned the police, and Supt. Hammond, of the Newmarket division, West Suffolk police, and other officers reached the hall in vain for a clue.

Supt. Hammond visited the hall, questioned members of the staff, and sought the help of members of the house party.

GATES OPENED

The watchman heard, nothing unusual, but another employee at the hall believes he heard a car travelling along the drive at about 2.30 a.m.

He expected it to stop at the main entrance gates, which he had closed, but it went on to the main road. On investigation the gates were found to be open.

At each corner of the hall the Earl of Iveagh has installed powerful floodlights as a precaution against burglary at night. These were switched on as usual.

The Earl said: "I have put the matter into the hands of the police and do not want to hamper their inquiries."

Lady O'Hagan is the second wife of Lord O'Hagan, who for three years was a Lord-in-Waiting to King Edward VII. His first wife died in 1931.

Banker Victim Of Nazis Escapes, Surrenders To English Police

NAMES of important people in Germany were handed on a slip of paper to Mr. Dummett, Bow-street magistrate, recently, as those of friends of a German banker, aged thirty-nine, who had given himself up after being smuggled to British.

His name was given as Siegfried Simin Gemblecki. According to Mr. Maurice Abrahams, defending him, he still bears the marks of "terrible lashings" received during nearly three years in German concentration camps. He is said to have been the financial adviser in Germany to a European royal family.

"Gemblecki has several influential friends in Germany, and they arranged for his escape," said Mr. Abrahams. "He was smuggled across the frontier in a car to Holland."

Gemblecki landed at the London docks from an unknown Rotterdam steamer at three a.m. on Tuesday with £50 in English money in his pockets. Accompanied by a lawyer, he gave himself up at Bow-street aliens department.

Mr. Abrahams went on: "Mr. Gemblecki was a banker living in Germany and an ex-serviceman who volunteered although under military age to fight for Germany. He was first arrested in 1935."

"I understand that for six months he was in prison, although no charge was actually made against him. At the end of that time he was released and, I have no doubt as a measure of confiscation, a fine of one and three-quarter million schillings (£270,000) was imposed."

"TORTURED"

"When he was released he was immediately seized by the secret police and taken to a very terrible concentration camp, and for the first six months he was tortured. I am told that he still bears the marks of the lashings he received there."

"He was put in an oil bath for two or three weeks, so terrible were the wounds inflicted."

"From then until November last he was in a camp at Dachau, the reputation of which is well known. After his release in November he moved about Germany, afraid to stay in one place."

"He heard that he was to be taken to a concentration camp for Jews which had a very bad reputation even among such camps."

"There is no question of Gemblecki being a public charge on this country. He has banking friends who are trying to arrange for his emigration to the United States."

Mr. Dummett listened to the story of Siegfried Gemblecki. Then he said: "If his story is accurate, and he supported by reliable testimony, it will be easier for the court to know how to deal with him." He adjourned the case for further inquiries, and gave Gemblecki bail.



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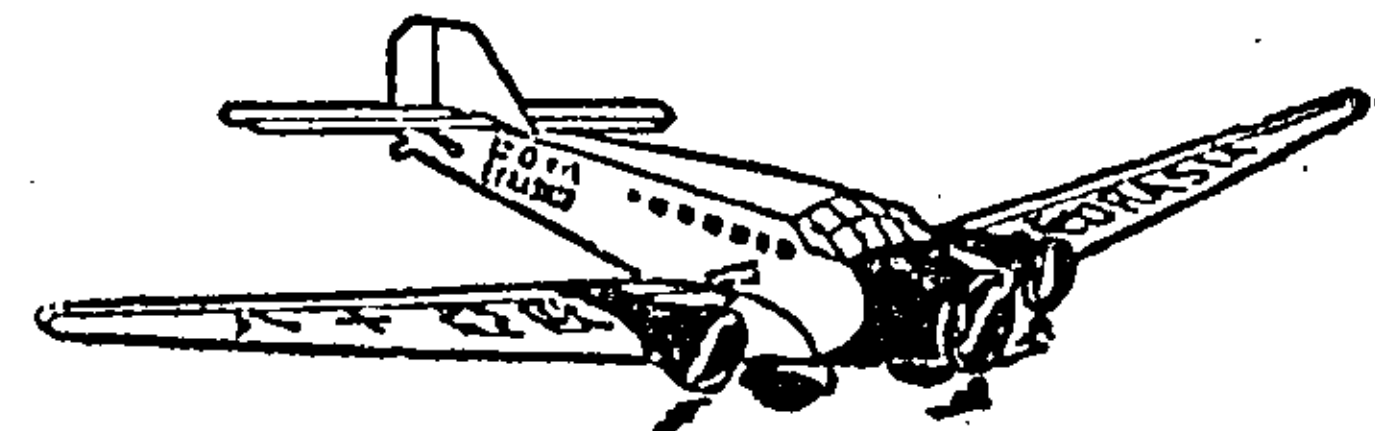
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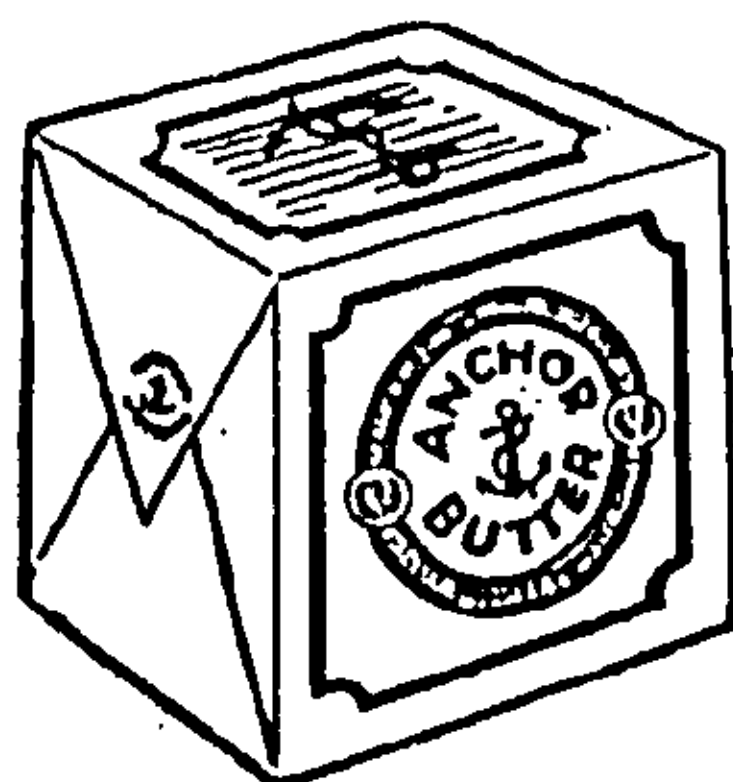
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MAN WITH SPLIT-MIND LIVED 'IN REVERSE'

War-Time Air Raids Did It

TWENTY-FIVE-YEARS-OLD Frederick Kendall, of Chaucer-road, Herne Hill, S.E., had dual personality—two minds, one of which was always undoing the work of the other.

Frederick Kendall, in fact, lived largely "in reverse." That was the result of war-time air raids when he was a child. It made him do queer things—things that he didn't want to do.

For instance, according to his father—

He did the opposite to what he was asked.

If requested to close a door he would do it—then open it.

He would give presents to people, would take them back to give to someone else.

Recently Kendall was found unconscious in his bedroom with a length of gas piping from a jet running underneath the bed-clothes.

"MIND OF 12"

Experts stated at a Southwark inquest that Kendall's mind was equal to that of a child of 12.

The coroner, Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, recording a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind when suffering from dementia praecox, commented: "It has been said that crimes have been committed by persons suffering from this trouble without them really knowing what they have done—in other words, dual personality."

Mr. Eric Robinson, his brother-in-law, said: "As a child he lived in terror of air raids. Perhaps it was this fear that brought about his dual personality."

"Every night he locked his bedroom door."

"One of his peculiarities was his habit of following his mother all over the house. He was devoted to her, but his devotion seemed more like a dog's. He could not bear her out of his sight when he was at home."

"All through Christmas he acted perfectly normally, and we thought he had overcome this dream-like personality. Something must have happened to his mind."

HORROR OF DOCTORS

Mr. Robinson added that his brother-in-law had a horror of doctors, and would never go for treatment.

"To take the other side of his personality, he was a good workman, he used to come home regularly, and there was never any question of his losing his memory and wandering."

It is typical of a certain type of mental disease that the sufferer entirely lacks all sense of what action is appropriate at the moment because, owing to his split mind, he is interested in the affairs of the ordinary world than in his private thoughts.

Club Has Sex Equality

Melbourne. A club of 100 members at Melbourne University has established sex equality by a provision prohibiting its male members from buying tickets for women at student entertainments and its women members from allowing their escorts to pay for them.

Punch To Jaw Breaks Ankle

Boston. During a fist-fight Lewis Thornhill, 53, was punched so hard on the chin that he suffered a fractured right ankle. He declined to name his assailant.

Links With Elizabeth, Ellen Terry

A FEW years ago it was feared that Tudor Cottage, Small Hythe, Kent—for the last 25 years of her life the home of Dame Ellen Terry—might be taken to the United States.

The interest the National Trust is now taking in its preservation removes this danger and will, it is hoped, ensure the retention of the whole property as a memorial.

In addition to the delightful old house with its rose garden and big Elizabethan barn—annually serving as a theatre for memorial performances—there are cottages dating back to the reign of Henry VII.

TOLLGATE, TOO

With an old toll gate, the group of timbered dwellings in its rural setting represents a little piece of old England.

Miss Edith Craig, Dame Ellen's daughter, told how she had arranged an Ellen Terry Museum in the house—known to have been standing in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and now "quite a place of pilgrimage."

"In one room I have got together everything I could find in relation to the Terry family," she said. "In another the Elizabethan kitchen, with its great brick fireplace, are gifts received from Mrs. Siddons and Garrick."

"My mother's bedroom has been kept exactly as it was when she died."

£4,000,000 Cinema Deal

ODEON Theatres, Ltd., become the biggest cinema chain in Britain by the purchase from Odeon Cinema Holdings of a further 82 theatres, of which 66 are at present operated by Odeon Theatres under management agreements.

The announcement of this deal, made by Philip Hill and Partners recently states that the capital amount involved exceeds £4,000,000. The finance of the project has been privately arranged by Philip Hill and Partners, and no public issue will be involved.

It is understood that Mr. Arthur Rank and Mr. Leslie Farrow are joining the Odeon Board.

The announcement also makes reference to the £30,000,000 deal between Odeon Theatres, Ltd. and the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, which has been in progress since October. It is stated:

"Odeon Theatres are proposing to make an offer to the Ordinary shareholders of the Gaumont-British Corporation and other negotiations are proceeding to acquire the holdings including the voting shares of the Odeon group."

"Examination of accounts and survey of properties will of necessity occupy some time, and it will not be possible to put forward a formal offer until towards the end of March or the beginning of April."

The Biggest Customer

BRITAIN bought £6,000,000 worth of "munitions," mainly military and civilian planes, from the United States last year. Britain was the largest purchaser. China spent £1,838,000 and France £1,300,000.

The figures are given in the annual report of the National Munitions Control Board.

BAN SUCCESSFUL

It is also revealed that the appeal by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to American aircraft manufacturers not to export planes or bombs to countries whose armed forces are accused of bombing civilian populations has been almost completely successful in preventing such American supplies reaching Japan.

Mr. Hull's appeal was issued on July 1, and since that date exports of aircraft to Japan have been negligible, although they totalled £1,000,000 in the first six months.

In Four-Leaf Clover

Ellington, Conn. If four-leaf clovers bring luck, Mrs. Leon Parker has enough to last a lifetime. She picked more than 400 of them during the summer months.

Wreszynski Spent £300,000 on Jewels, Kept Them in a Safe in Park Lane



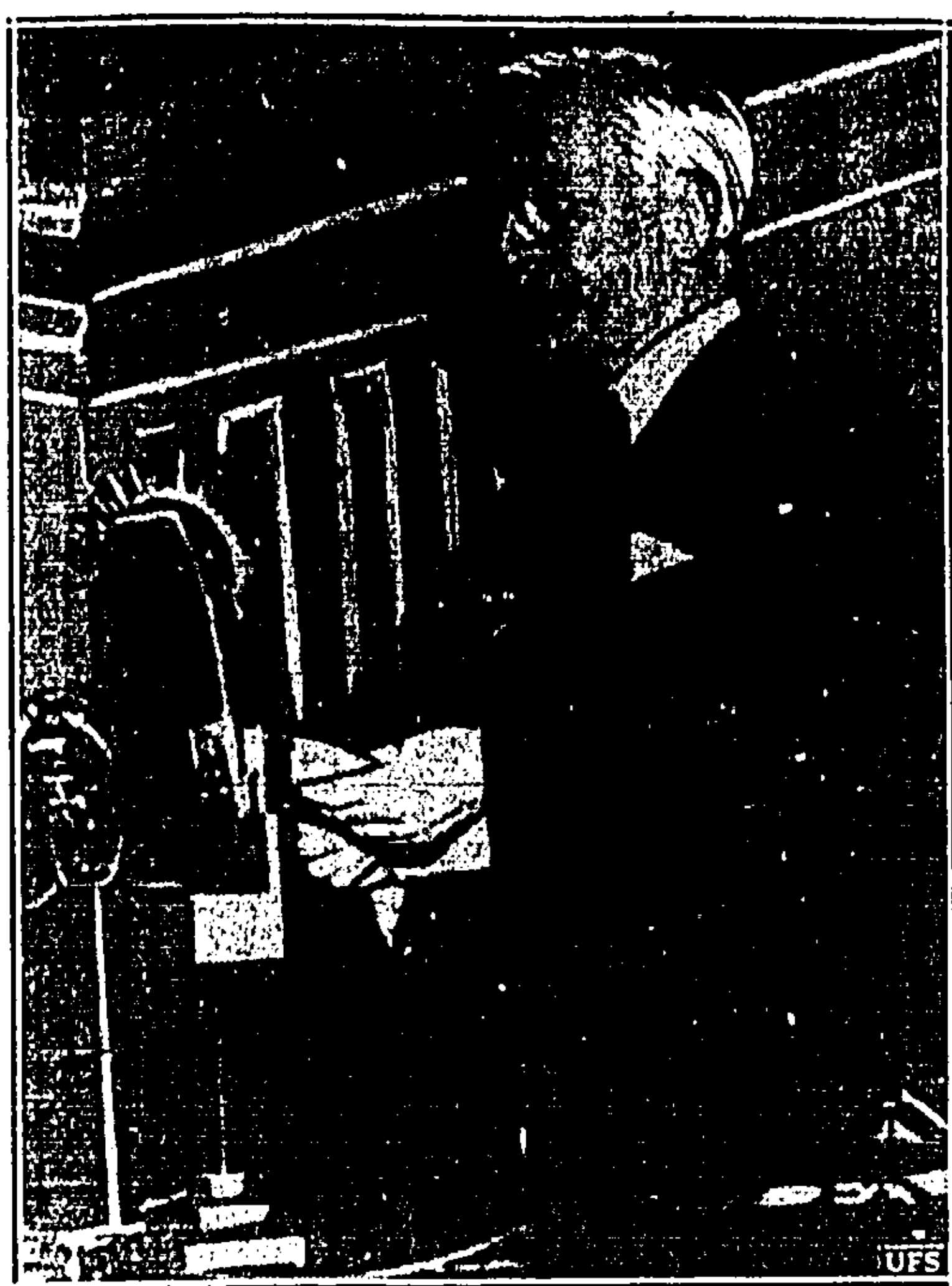
A delightful photograph of Elva Rosemary, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Skinn, of Hongkong, who recently married Lieut. O. J. F. Lockwood, St. John R.N., at St. Anne's Church, Kew Green.

Egg 8 1/2 Inches Long

Berlin, N. Y. An over-size chicken's egg, eight and a half inches by eight inches, is being exhibited in science classes at the Berlin Central school. In addition to a double yolk, the huge egg also contained a second egg measuring six inches in circumference.

Afternoon Tea Praised

Montreal. Afternoon tea is a definite aid to health, Dr. I. M. Rabinowitch told the McGill Chemistry Society here. Dr. Rabinowitch said drinking of a cup of tea during the afternoon had a definite value in keeping the efficiency of the body high.



Secretary of State Cordell Hull, giving one of the keynote speeches at the Pan-American conference in Lima, Peru, declared an embargo on totalitarian theories, in behalf of the Western Hemisphere. His assertions were in accord with those of Jose Maria Cantilo, Argentine Foreign Minister. Above, Mr. Hull at the microphones.

WEST END jewellers were discussing recently the jewels which were once owned by Mr. Siegmund Wreszynski, the one-time Park-lane financier now awaiting trial on an accusation of fraud in an Amsterdam gaol.

Among the things they recalled were these:

In 1933-34 Wreszynski owned more than £300,000 worth of gems which he kept in a specially constructed spherical safe concreted into the wall of his home; in 1933 he bought, for £50,000, the famous Porter-Rhodes diamond.

They remembered, too, that Mr. Wreszynski was regarded as one of the leading connoisseurs of jewellery in Europe.

Mr. Wreszynski bought in Paris, in one go, more than £100,000 worth of jewellery a few years ago.

QUEEN VICTORIA SAW IT

The Porter-Rhodes diamond which he bought in 1933 was discovered in South Africa in 1880. After it reached England, Mr. Porter-Rhodes took it in a sealed envelope through a snowstorm in the early days of 1891 to show to Queen Victoria. It is recorded that she was "greatly fascinated by it."

Wreszynski bought it in Paris and Mrs. Wreszynski wore it as a ring. The diamond, when first discovered, weighed 150 carats in the rough. It became a polished one-inch stone weighing 50 carats. It is now in the possession of an Indian Maharajah.

This stone was only one of the many valuable gems Wreszynski bought for his wife. There was a perfect black pearl, weighing 92 grains, costing him £35,000 in Paris. It was set in a ring.

Mrs. Wreszynski had a black pearl necklace for which more than £24,000 was paid. There were 45 pearls in it, the largest weighing 56 grains. Each pearl was separated from the next by a flat faceted Rondelle diamond.

At the same time Mr. Wreszynski bought a rosy pearl necklace weighing 1000 grains for £32,000.

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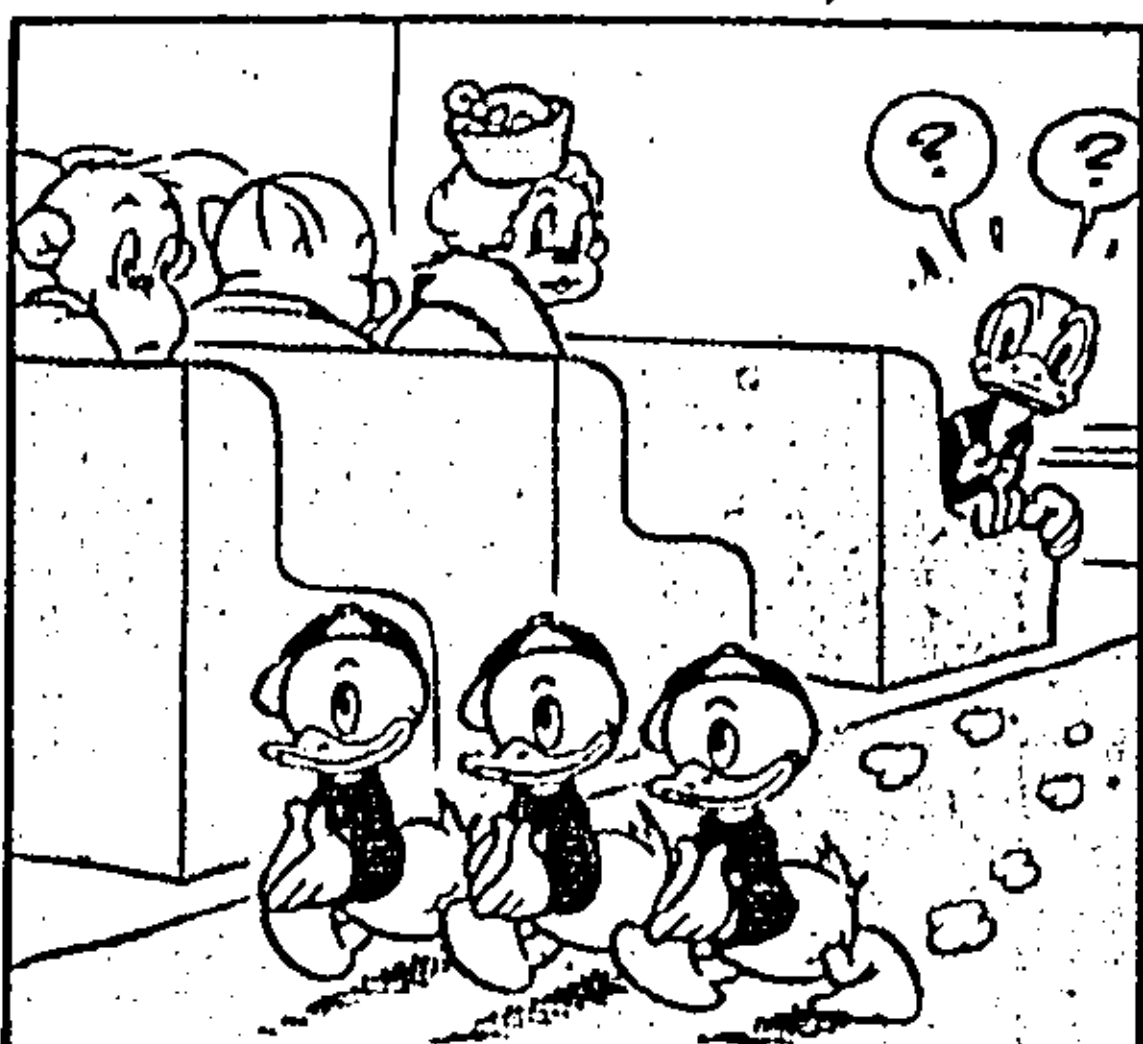
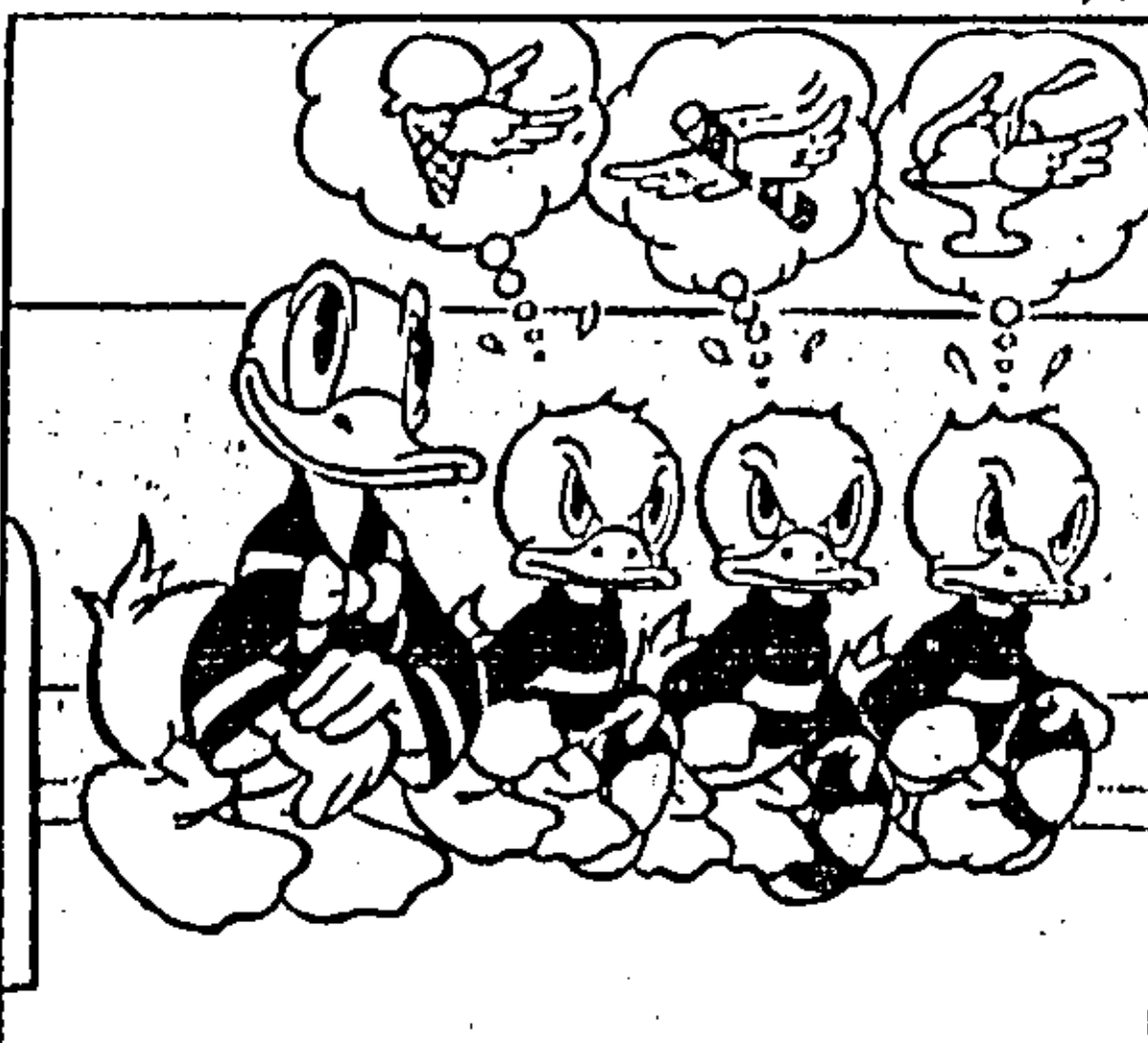
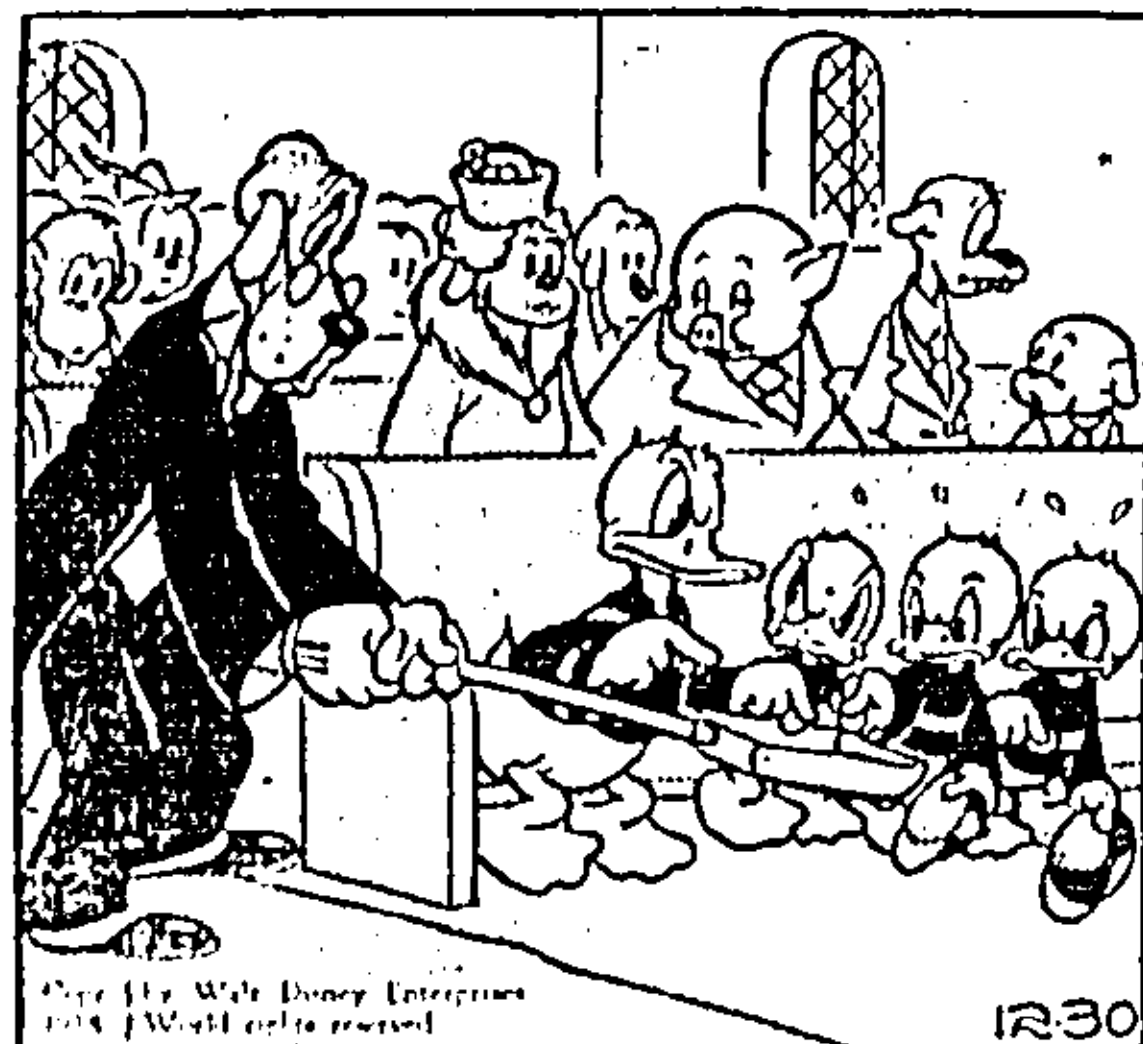
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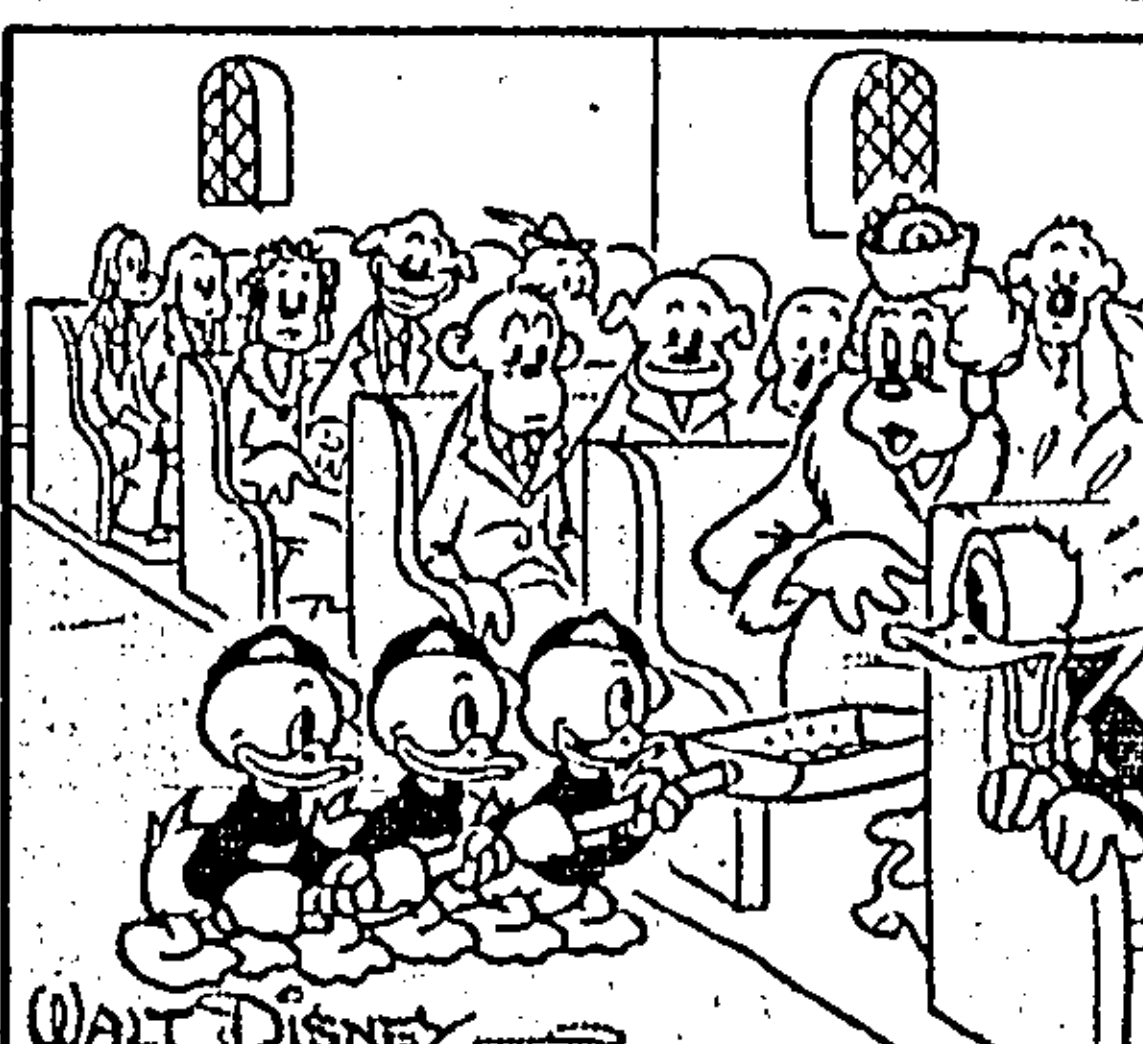
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BANK MEETING

Scheme Of Arrangement For Court Sanction

Meetings of creditors, "A" Preference, "B" Preference and Ordinary shareholders, of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., were held at the Bank on Saturday, when a scheme of arrangement for the carrying on of the business was approved for submission to the Supreme Court.

Mr. Choy Hing, appointed by the Supreme Court, was Chairman at the four separate meetings which were held during the morning, an identical agenda being observed at each.

Messrs. Lo and Lo were present as solicitors for the Bank.

The Chairman said the Bank was registered in November, 1924, with a capital of \$2,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each, all of which were fully paid up in two years.

In February, 1934, the Bank increased its capital to \$5,000,000 and 57,410 new shares of \$10 each were paid up. At that time the total paid up capital of the bank was \$2,574,100.

During the first year deposits of the Bank amounted to \$1,000,000, but later that figure increased to \$10,000,000 and the Bank was enabled to establish branches in Shanghai, Canton, Hankow and Tientsin. In November 1924, the deposits in the current and savings accounts were over \$7,000,000. During the 13 years of the Bank's establishment, the total profit exclusive of all expenditure was \$2,500,000 enabling interest of 7 per cent. to be paid to the depositors.

Two Banks Closed
In 1935, the Bank received a heavy blow when two Banking houses in Hongkong were closed, the first on January 4 and the second on September 4, creating uneasiness among the depositors of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, which led to considerable withdrawals of deposits.

The total amount withdrawn in that year was \$3,400,000. In January the amount withdrawn was \$1,500,000 and in twelve days in September \$1,300,000 was taken out by depositors. It became more difficult to meet the demands of continued withdrawals.

The property of the bank was mortgaged to meet the demand for cash. The Directors were compelled to stop withdrawals, and the doors of the Bank were closed on September 10, 1935.

The Bank had enough properties to pay off all its commitments if they were sold, but this process would take the liquidators a long time, since a rapid sale would fetch less money than the properties were worth. The Directors were against closing the Bank, being of the opinion that if business was resumed they would be

able to dispose of their properties more advantageously.

The Chairman then outlined the scheme of arrangement which is given below:

Scheme of Arrangement
1. That the share capital of the Bank, namely \$5,000,000 divided into 500,000 shares of \$10 each, be reduced to \$1,500,000 divided into 150,000 shares of \$10 each, and 27,410 fully paid up ordinary shares of \$10 each, be reduced to 27,410 unissued like "A" preference shares of \$10 each, and 27,410 fully paid up ordinary shares of \$10 each, be reduced to 27,410 unissued like "B" preference shares of \$10 each, and 27,410 fully paid up ordinary shares of \$10 each, and that such reduction shall be effected:

(a) By cancelling the sum of \$5 per share on the said 150,000 issued "B" preference shares of \$10 each as being lost or unrepresented by available assets, and by reducing the nominal amount of the said shares to \$5 per share; and
(b) By cancelling the sum of \$5 per share on the said 27,410 issued ordinary shares of \$10 each as being lost or unrepresented by available assets, and by reducing the nominal amount of the said shares to \$5 per share.

Confirmation of Court
2. That upon the said reduction of capital being confirmed by the Court and becoming operative:

(a) The 49,240 unissued "A" preference shares of \$10 each shall be sub-divided into 49,240 shares of \$1 each and such \$1 shares shall be regarded as forming part of the Bank's ordinary shares.
(b) The 27,410 unissued "B" preference shares of \$10 each shall be sub-divided into 27,410 shares of \$1 each and such \$1 shares shall be regarded as forming part of the Bank's ordinary shares.
(c) The 10,752 "A" preference shares of \$1 each shall be sub-divided into 10,752 "A" preference shares of \$1 each and the 10,752 "B" preference shares of \$1 each shall be sub-divided into 10,752 "B" preference shares of \$1 each.
(d) The existing rights and privileges attached to the said 10,752 "A" preference shares of \$1 each, the

27,410 "B" preference shares of \$1 each and to the 27,410 ordinary shares of \$1 each resulting from the said reduction shall be varied by the amendment (as from and after July 1, 1939) of the said "A" preference shares, "B" preference shares and the ordinary shares and by the extinguishment of all special rights or privileges attached to the shares of those respective classes so that the said "A" preference shares, "B" preference shares and ordinary shares shall as from July 1, 1939 become and be regarded as forming one class of ordinary shares ranking pari passu for purpose of dividend and return of capital and entitling the holders thereof on a poll to one vote for every \$1 in nominal value of such shares held by them respectively and that all such shares be henceforth termed ordinary shares.

Sanction of Court
3. That Clause 6 (b) and (c) of the scheme of arrangement duly sanctioned by the Court on January 11, 1939 (hereinafter referred to as "the first scheme of arrangement") relating to the payment of the instalments to the creditors of the Bank be altered by substituting the word "twelve" instead of the word "six" whenever appearing and the said Clause 6 (b) and (c) shall henceforth be read and construed as if the words "twelve months" had been originally inserted therein instead of the words "six months".

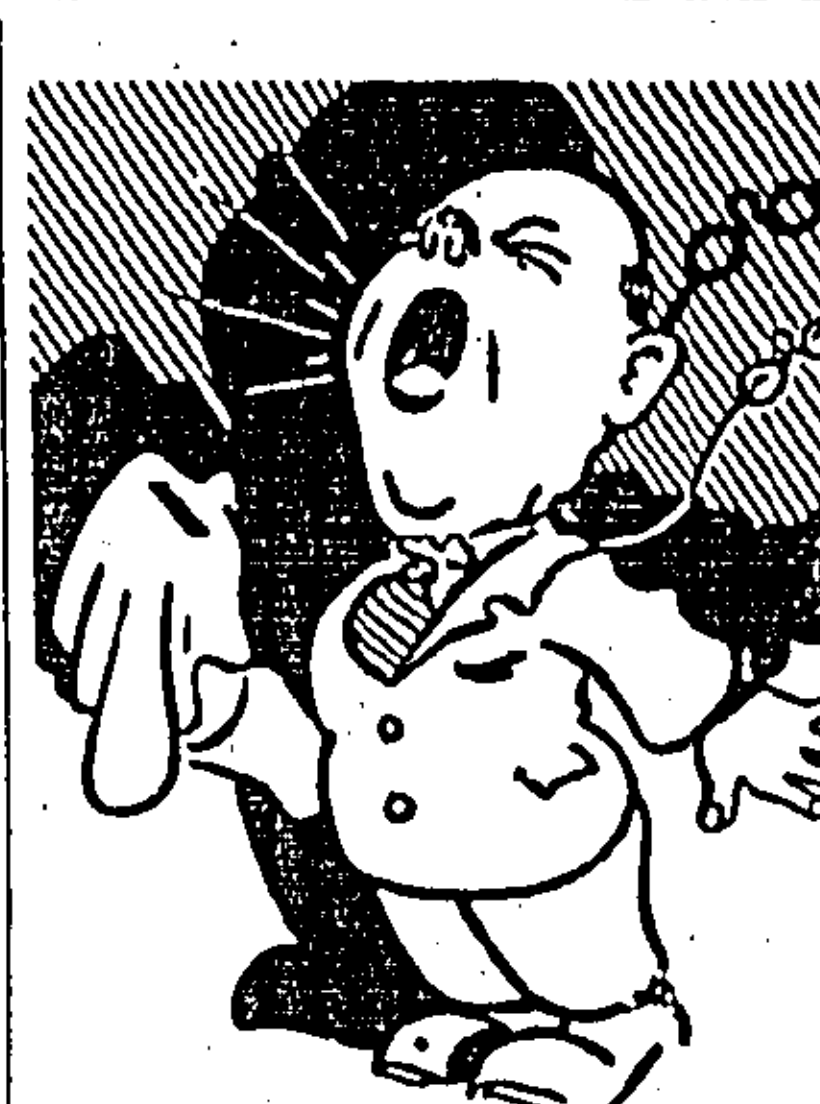
Offer to Holders
(a) The holders of the said "A" preference shares and the holders of the said "B" preference shares shall respectively be given and accept in satisfaction and discharge of their respective rights to all arrears of the cumulative preferential dividend whether declared or not, on such "A" preference shares and "B" preference shares in respect of the years ending December 31, 1936, and December 31, 1937 and in respect of the six months ending June 30, 1938, funded certificates equal in amount to the amount of the preferential dividend due on the said "A" preference shares and the said "B" preference shares calculated to June 30, 1938, held by them respectively, such certificates not to bear any interest at any time to be at liberty at any time to redeem such certificates or any of them out of the profits; and in case the whole or any interest of any of the said certificates is not redeemed after payment of the interest on the ordinary shares of the Bank in the year 1943 and in every subsequent year, an amount not ex-

ceeding \$10,000 in each year so far as the profits extend to be applied in redeeming the certificates for the time being outstanding.

(b) The capital of the Bank shall be increased to its former amount of \$5,000,000 by the creation of an additional 3,576,820 ordinary shares of \$1 each.

(c) Before recommending any dividend, the net profits of the Bank in every year, after deduction of all losses, expenses and disbursements shall be set aside in the first instance in or towards the payment of interest upon the capital of the Bank at the rate of six per cent. per annum or at such rate as the Board shall think fit.

5. That Clause 11 (a) and (b) of the first scheme of arrangement be deleted and the following provisions be substituted:
(a) The qualification of a director shall be the holding of 3,000 shares in the Bank.
(b) Unless otherwise determined by a general meeting of the Board shall not exceed fifteen or be less than nine.
6. That the holders of the said "A" preference shares and the holders of the said "B" preference shares shall accept the provisions herein contained in satisfaction of their preference and ordinary shares.
7. That the special resolutions in the terms of clause 1 and 2 hereof shall be conditional on this scheme of arrangement between the Bank and its members holding ordinary shares being adopted under section 162 of the Companies Ordinance 1932 for giving effect to the provisions of the said special resolution.
8. That the Bank's articles of association shall be regarded as modified accordingly.
9. That the Bank may assent to any modification in this scheme of arrangement which the Court may think fit to approve or impose.



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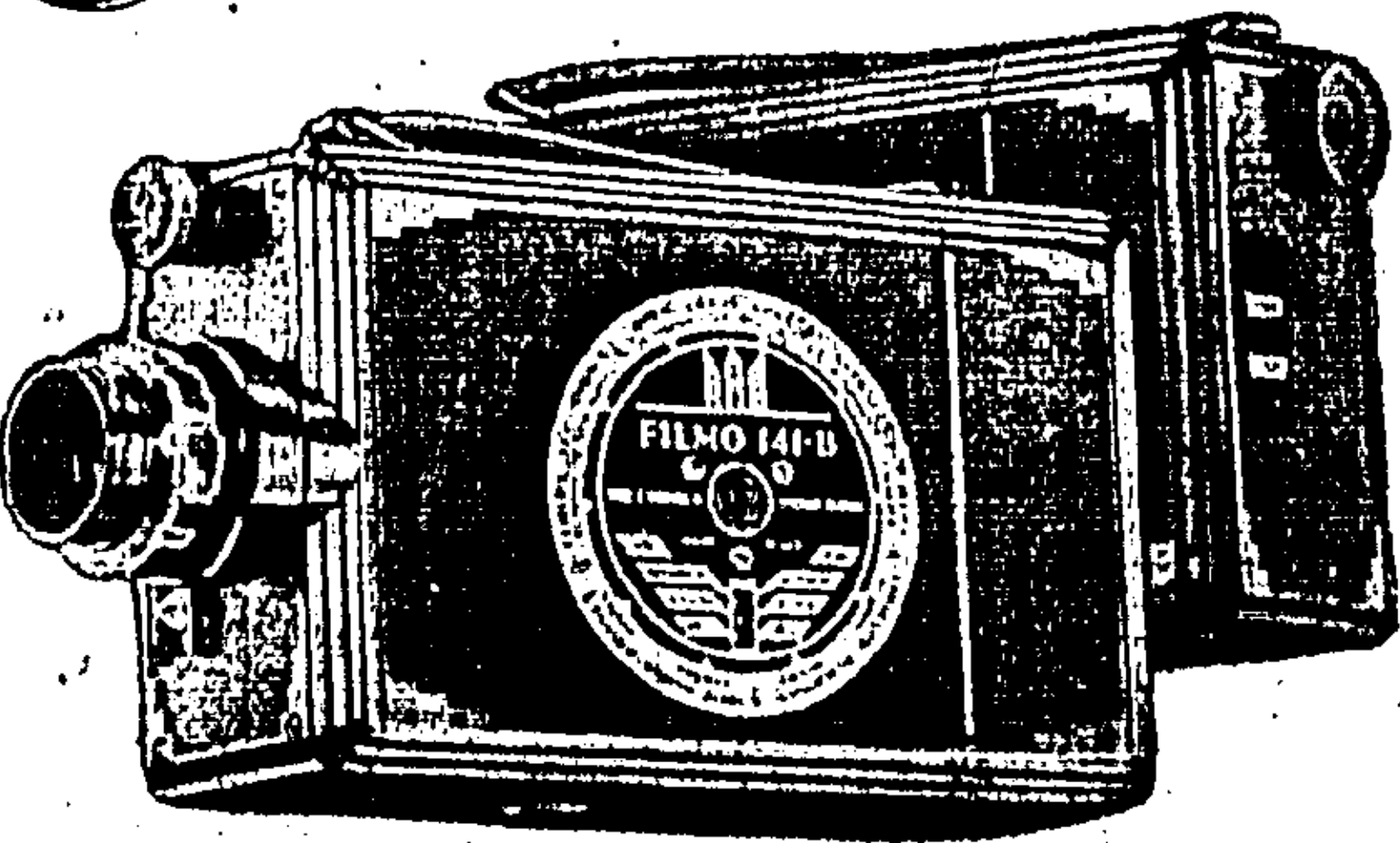
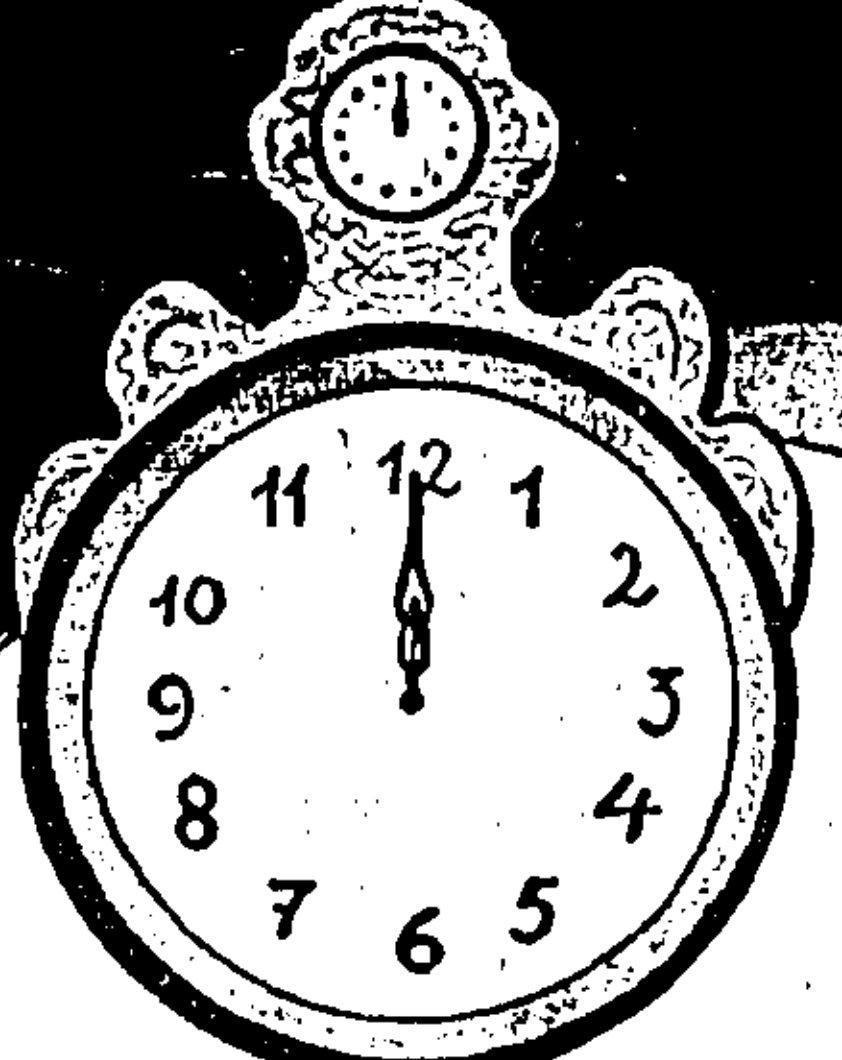
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12.0-12.20 p.m. Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 The Street Singer and Jack Jackson's Orchestra.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 A Schubert Song by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

A Dream Of Spring ("Winterreise"—Schubert, Op. 89, No. 11)... with Piano accom. by Gerald Moore.

1.07 Schubert—Symphony No. 8 In B Minor (The "Unfinished" Symphony).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Variety and Dance Music.

Dance Orch.—Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride—Fox-Trot (from "Romance and Rhythm"); Change Partners—Fox-Trot (from "Café de Paris"); Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; Vocal—Chanson De Malague (Lent and Claude); La Guinguette A Ferme Ses Volets (Zwingel)... Dania with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Tol Seule—Tango; Laisse-Moi Aimer—Tango; Mario Meli and His Argentinian Orchestra with vocal refrain; Comedy Sketch—Sandy, The All-In Wrestler (Powell, Thompson); Sandy Powell (Comedian); Vocal—The Sunny Side Of Things (Film "Breaking The Ice"); Happy As A Lark, Baby Breen with Victor Young and His Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Smoke Gets In Your Eyes—Fox-Trot; Night And Day—Fox-Trot... Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 For The Children.

New Nursery Tunes For Old Nursery Rhymes (Saunders, arr. Kester); Intro: Deedle, deedle dumpling; Little Miss Muffet; There was an owl; I had a little nut tree; Mulberry Bush; etc. ... Vocal with Orchestra; Uncle Peter's Children's Party... Peter Dawson (Vocal) with Orch.; Studio—Scorial Story; Songs Of The Sandman... Wilfrid Thomas (Baritone) with Piano accomp.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Lullaby In Rhythm; Out Of Nowhere... Harry James and His Orchestra; Quick-Steps—I'm Gonna Lock My Heart; There Goes My Affection... Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody; Fox-Trots—Ten Easy Lessons; Small Fry (Film "Sing, You Sinners")... Adrian Rollins Quartet (Featuring "The Tune Twisters"); Waltz—Tu-Li-Tulp Time;

Fox-Trot—Beside A Moonlit Stream... Horace Heidt and His Almetite; Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Selection—Alexander's Ragtime Band... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Tan-go—Arroyito; Chagrin D'Amour... A. J. Pesenti and His Tango Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trot—The Meanest Thing You Ever Did Was Kiss Me; I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart... Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

7.15 Variety with The Mills Brothers, Dorothy Lamour, Max Miller and others.

Vocal—Time On My Hands (Gordon and Youmans); Thru' The Courtyard Of Love (Film "Voice of Scandal")... Denny Dennis with Orchestra; Orch.—Poor Butterfly (Golden and Hubbell); Sweet Sue, Just You (Harris and Young)... The Dixie Devils with Vocal Chorus; Two Flamingo Spangh Quick Step Medley; Military Fox-Trot Medley... The Keyboarders with Drums; Vocal—On A Tropic Night (Film "Tropic Holiday"); Panamanian (Film "Swing High, Swing Low")... Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Comedian—Confessions Of A Cheeky Chappy (Miller)... Max Miller; Banjo—La Vivandiere (Kirby) Joy Dance (Kirby)... Ernest Jones with Leslie Bartlett at the Piano; Vocal—My Headache... The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Some Of These Days (Brooks); Tiger Rag (La Rocca)... The Mills Brothers.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Light Opera Selections.

"Monsieur Beaucaire"—Vocal Gems (Messager)... Light Opera Company with Orchestra; "The Cousin From Nowhere"—Operetta in Brief (Kunze-Marszalek)... Margarete Slezak (Soprano) and Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Chorus and Orchestra from the Berlin State Opera (Sung in German); "The Miracle"—Selection (Humperdinck)... London Symphony Orchestra with Organ and Chorus; "The Three Musketeers"—Vocal Gems... Victor Light Opera Company.

8.25 Tchaikowsky—The Swan Lake-Ballet Music.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dorati.

8.55 Studio—"Spelling Bee"—3: Oxford v. Cambridge.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

O Min Bella Napoli! (from "Venus In Silk"); Sweet Compliments (from "Venus In Silk")... with Orchestra (Sung in German); Calming Of The Tempest (Durrer-Falk)... with Chorus and Orchestra (Sung in German).

10.00 London Relay—In Town Tonight.

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10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—I'm An Old Cowhand (from "Rhythm on the Range"); Empty Saddles (from "Rhythm on the Range")... Ambrose and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus; Paso-Doble—Go Toughest; Fox-Trot—The Merry-Go-Round Broke Down... The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus; Fox-Trots—Wah-Hoo; I So A-Muggin'... Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—Alice Blue Gown; Rumba—Flower of my dreams... Henry Jacques and His Orchestra; Tan-go—Madreita De Donpeya; Mi Musa Campara... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

11.0 Close down.



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What Next?

IT is difficult to keep pace with the map of Europe these days. Last year we saw Austria absorbed by Germany; the Reich, Poland and Hungary helped themselves to chunks of Czechoslovakia; and a further slice of Spanish territory has been bitten off by the Fascist rebels. More recently there has been agitation in Italy for Nice, Corsica and Tunis; now comes a clamour for Ukrainian autonomy and the cession of Memel to Germany. It is uncertain, however, how far the present agitations are to be taken at their face value.

No doubt the Duce will not refuse Nice, Corsica and Tunis if he finds he can have them for the asking; but it is more probable that, by making these impudent and impossible demands, he hopes to get belligerent rights for Franco, a share in the Suez Canal and control of the Djibouti railway.

The Ukraine

GERMANY, it is equally probable, secured autonomy for Ruthenia under the new name of Carpathia-Ukraine so that it might be used as the spearhead of an advance, if the time came, into the Polish and Russian Ukraine; but there is little need to suppose that Germany is planning immediate expansion in that direction.

The fact seems to be that both Germany and Italy are searching round Europe for the lines of least resistance. When they have found them, they will strike.

It is therefore important that the totalitarian Powers should be convinced that the line of least resistance is not to be found in the British and French democracies. In both countries there is needed a reassertion of the national will. Superficially the dictatorships may appear to be having things all their own way, but actually their imposing facade hides many and growing weaknesses.

TAKE MY advice. Take no notice of all this bunkum in the papers about "appeasement".

The policy of appeasement may be all right in Europe, but it definitely doesn't work in Hongkong—not in the home at any rate.

I know, because I tried it on my wife the other day with dire results. It was all through the suggestion of that arch-idiot "Waffles" McTurbot. You have probably met the fellow. He is a "teller" in the bank. I don't know what it is he tells in the bank, but he can certainly spin a pretty lofty yarn outside.

In fact it was through listening to one of his ridiculous stories at the Club the other night that led to my missing the last ferry home, and, incidentally, to poor old Aunt True getting assaulted and losing an ear.

I FORGET the exact gist of his story, but I remember it began with an account of how, out hiking one day, he came face to face with the brute off with a walking stick.

Then he went on to tell me of an exploit of his when he chased a bear in central Africa—or a bear chased him. I am a little hazy as to the details. I can only recollect that his tale was an interminable one, and would have been decidedly boring had it not been punctuated with such bright remarks as "What about the other half?" "Let's have one for the road!" "We'll have a Dox and Doris" or "Now for the dammedest!"

TIME MARCHED on—and so did his story.

It may possibly have been due to the mellowing influence of the wine store for fresh bottles, I began to see Waffles in a new light. He might not be such a bad fellow after all, even if he did slightly over-fancy himself as a big game hunter. Anyhow, what were the odds? Didn't we all exaggerate a little at times. I thought myself of the occasion when I—who prided myself on being a stickler for the truth—had once compared my wife's voice to the cooing of a turtle dove!

Yes, Waffles distinctly had his good points. Time still plodded on... another cork popped... I continued to ruminate... then I looked at the clock!

NOW YOU DON'T know my wife as well as I do, or you might understand my feelings at that moment.

I jumped up. "Waffles, old dear," I said, "I'm in for the most unholy row. I promised to be home early to-night. Look at the time! It's all your fault. What are you going to do about it?" "That's all right, old man," he replied, "when you get home try a little appeasement."

You will observe that his speech had become somewhat blurry, and I'm really convinced he was already half-fogged. As for myself, I admit beginning to feel a little fuzzy, but I maintain that—in spite of anything but the number one boy may tell you—I was not drunk.

"What do you mean by appeasement?" I asked.

"Appasement is what's neshesary when you meet the dragon. All you have to do is..."

"Waffles, old dear," I said, "please don't call my wife a dragon. As, if you like, but I forbid you to use the word 'dragon'. If there is a streak of chivalry in you—which I very much doubt—you will never refer to a lady in such odious language!"

From the silence that ensued I began to hope that he had taken my remark to heart, but his next remark only proved that the fumes of the "Lacrima Christi" were still omnipotent in that very small cavity where by rights his brain should have been.

"All right, Geoffrey, old bean," he said, "all I was sayin' was that you should try to appease this jolly ole asp of yours."

I drew myself up.

"Waffles, old dear," I said, "please don't call my wife a dragon. As, if you like, but I forbid you to use the word 'dragon'. If there is a streak of chivalry in you—which I very much doubt—you will never refer to a lady in such odious language!"

I THOUGHT it better to humour him a little.

"How do you mean—appease her?" I asked.

"As simple as falling off a log. Take her a box of candy, Geoff. The dragon—pardon me... asp—will be tickled to death, and there'll be no rift in the connubial lute... good word that—'connubial'! I must remember it. Ha! Ha!"

"Have some sense, Waffles," I urged, "Your suggestion has its merits, but where on earth am I going to get candy at this time of night?"

"That's where old Waffles can help you. Here's a box of candy which I was going to take home to Desdemona" (that's his wife), "and a tin of bliskits for Bashful" (that's his dog). "You take the candy, you need it more than me, and I'll take bliskits for Bashful."

"Thanks!" I answered, picking up one of the parcels. "Your generosity touches my heart."

I'VE GOT A DOG WHIP

—And I'm Looking For The
Owner

By GEOFFREY SUCKLING



FIVE MINUTES LATER we were in the street, and Waffles, who had volunteered to see me as far as the middle of the road—following the white line," as he called it—down Pedder Street. This in spite of my trying to prove to him—even going so far as to take measurements—that the pavement was wide enough to accommodate two persons abreast.

"At any rate we've got fine moon to help us," said Waffles.

"That's not the moon, you chump!" I replied. "That's a street lamp."

"Of course 'snot lamp. It's moon."

"I'll bet you five dollars it's a lamp," I said.

"It'd be shame to take the money, 'cus I know it's moon, an' how can we shettle argument anywye?"

And, going up to a man approaching in evening dress, he raised his hat and said:

"Excuse me, Sir, but my fren' and I are havin' a lil argument. He bets me that the light in sky's lamp, but I shay it's moon. Will you kindly shettle argument for us. What ish that light up there?"

The stranger peered upwards. "Whish one?" he asked.

I MENTIONED THIS incident just to show you that Waffles and I were not the only ones who had been quaffing that night.

Mind you, I myself was not drunk—merely a bit elevated, that's all.

Arrived at the pier, we halted a walla walla, and it was while getting into the damn thing that I slipped. I must have made a mighty splash as I entered the water, for as soon as I broke surface again, I heard that inebriated ass on the wharf shouting:

"All you can't drop your hook there. You'll foul the government cables, an' the Harbour Master'll be after you."

"You be fool!" I spluttered, as still clutching my candy, I scrambled back on board. "That was not the anchor that dropped, it was me!"

The chug of the engine mercifully drowned his shrieks of raucous laughter as we sped across the harbour.

ARRIVED ON my door-step, I made my way cautiously up the stairs. (Can you tell me why stairs creak and groan so in the middle of the night? I never notice it in the day-time.)

I quietly slipped the key into the lock. Most probably Isabella would be asleep, and I could get to bed without her hearing me.

All was serene. So far, so good! I would undress in the dark.

Presently, in the old familiar tones, a voice rang out:

"For goodness sake, switch on the light and get to bed. I shall have something to say to you at breakfast time."

"Everything's okey dokey, my dear," I said. (Why on earth does one's tongue run away like this when one is doing one's best to assume an air of sobriety?) "I have been having a most interesting discussion yours..."

"Asp," I interrupted, "may be a suitable term for cross-word puzzles, but it falls far short of the mark in describing Isabella. Forgive my remarks yesterday. In future, Waffles, I give you full liberty to refer to my wife in whatever terms you choose."

"Comel comel!" said Waffles. "So it's as bad as that? Well, I suggest that under the circumstances the only thing to save your amour propre is a horse's neck—and allow me to do the dispensing."

"Waffles McTurbot," I answered, "although I feel that I am lowering myself by drinking with you, you have certainly struck the nail on the head when you mention a horse's neck! Make it a stiff one, and let's hear no more of this appeasement business."

After the liquid had permeated, the situation seemed to clarify somewhat.

THE WHOLE QUESTION, according to Waffles, now resolved itself on what were the best means of regaining my status quo with the wife.

And then it was that he made the confounded proposition that, appeasement having failed, I should try the "dictator" attitude.

"It's as simple as falling off a log," he said. "All you have to do is to get primed up a little—leave go home to-night, you do the heavy stuff with Isabella. You'll be surprised at the result."

I certainly was.

"We'll get busy with the priming straight away," he continued. "Falling vodka—which this benighted club doesn't seem to possess—we will have to fall back upon some of my 'just-like-mother-makes-them' cocktails."

Whereupon, taking charge of the bar, he began producing his vile concoctions.

I argued, I protested, I wavered, and finally gave in.

It was when we got to what he called his speciality, the "Shauki-wan Hair-Raiser", that I began to fancy myself in the role of dictator.

After the third, Waffles asked: "How do you feel now, old bird?"

"Not so much of the 'old bird'!" I retorted. "If you want to know how I feel, I feel just about ready to throw you half way across the harbour. You worm!"

"Banzai! that's the spirit! Off you go now before the effect wears off!"

"Aren't you coming with me?" I asked. "I'll do the Hitler stuff, and you be Mussolini in the background."

But he didn't seem to relish the idea. Shaking his head, he fetched a dog whip and handed it to me.

"Take this," he said. "You may find it useful in your conversation."

"But what about Bashful?"

"Oh, Bashful can do without it for a day."

"Well, cheerio Waffles," I said in parting. "I'll see you to-morrow."

"I hope so!" he replied, putting a little too much emphasis on the word "hope" for my liking.

ON THE STAR ferry I took the opportunity for a trial run of the dictator business.

I strode into the non-smoking compartment, aggressively flung my pipe, and blew out clouds of smoke.

No-one took any notice. I put my feet on the seat. Still no-one complained.

My scheme augured well! Arrived at the flat, I barged up the stairs, rattled my keys, and threw open the door.

"Wench!" I shouted. "Get up at once and get me some supper!"

No reply. I entered the bedroom and, brandishing my whip, I strode over to the bed.

"Do you hear me, wench?" I thundered. "Get me some supper!" Still no answer. I peered into the bed. It was empty!

Pinned to the pillow-case was a note. I read it: "Owing to your disgraceful behaviour last night, I have gone over to stay with Aunt True until Sunday (to give you time to come to your senses). I am bringing Aunt back with me for tea on Sunday afternoon. Do not fail to be present! You will find your supper on the top shelf of the ice box."

What a pretty kettle of fish! At least I would enjoy my supper in peace. Perhaps there would be some lobster mayonnaise, or a little cold chicken. I was beginning to feel peckish.

I opened the ice box. There on a plate were a few broken dog biscuits!

Waffles seems to be avoiding me. I'm looking for him. And Aunt Prunella is coming to tea on Sunday!

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You shouldn't have told him we were married—he's an old family friend, and he feels hurt because he didn't marry us."

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS LINER SINKS

Three Passengers Are Still Missing

The Imperial Airways flying-boat Cavalier en route to Bermuda from here sent out an S.O.S., when 250 miles east of Ocean City, Maryland.

A coastguard has reported the Cavalier was forced down completely disabled. An amphibian plane and cutter have been sent to the spot. The nearest ship is the Easo tanker Baytown which has started for the spot. The coastguard cutter Champlain is only 30 miles away and going at full-speed.—United Press.

Dramatic Messages

"All the engines are falling through ice... altitude 1,500 feet... we are making a forced-landing in a few minutes." These messages were wireless from the Cavalier at 12.47 p.m. E.S. time. At 1.12 p.m. there came a message "Landed O.K. Switch off. Standing by." A minute later there came the single word "Sinking," says Reuter.

The plane is a sister-boat to the Cavalier, which is under six hours, and is an Imperial Airways Empire type plane originally intended to carry 24 passengers. The plane is a sister-boat to the Cavalier, which is under six hours, and is an Imperial Airways Empire type plane originally intended to carry 24 passengers.

No Sign of Plane

New York, Jan. 21. Coastguard Lt. Joseph McCue later told his New York headquarters that he flew over the Cavalier's position at 4.45 p.m. but saw no signs of the plane.

Pan American Airways announced the position as 30 degrees 50 minutes north by 71 degrees and 22 minutes west. The Mackay radio reported that two Canadian destroyers had left Bermuda to join in the search. Two destroyers, an Easo tanker, and the City of Bayville turned from their courses and started for the scene, while the Bermuda Clipper stood by ready to assist.

The coastguard plane returned from Cape Mayne after flying over the Cavalier's last reported position without finding any trace, at 5.12 p.m.

Widespread Search

Earlier terse radio messages described how the plane encountered bad weather, the failure of two engines and the S.O.S. Immediately Pan American Airways station at Port Washington called the coastguards and started a widespread search. Four coastguard boats and planes took off, but none of them were able to reach the scene before darkness.

A huge Army "Flying Fortress" plane left Langley Field for the scene with special flares and supplies to drop to the victims. Luxuriously appointed, the Cavalier is built on lines similar to an ocean steamer. The plane's wingspan is 114 feet, the overall length 66 1/2 feet, and height 29 1/2 feet. She has four engines, and the hull is made of strong aluminium alloy.

It is believed the plane is capable of withstanding heavy seas, and is constructed on the two-deck plan, but the chances of rescue from the water are considered problematical. Each seat is convertible into a life raft giving each passenger the chance to float, but cloudy weather and high seas running are diminishing the chances of rescue, according to the coastguards.

The Cavalier carried at least one big life-raft designed to be inflated and launched if time permitted.

Reported Saved

The coastguards later received a radio from an unidentified steamer claiming to have picked up the passengers and crew; however there are no further developments.

The Last Moments

The radio messages described the Cavalier's last moments in the air before alighting, when the ignition was apparently switched off to prevent fire.

At 12.23 p.m. a message said: "Running into bad weather may be obliged to land." At 12.37 p.m.: "Still bad weather." Then there was severe static, and at 12.57 p.m. an S.O.S. was sent from the plane.

Graphic Radio Story

Pan American Airways station at Port Washington tried three times between 12.50 p.m. and 12.55 to establish radio contact with the Cavalier, but failed. They succeeded later, and the Cavalier replied at 12.58 p.m. saying, "All engines are falling on account of the ice. Altitude 1,500 feet. Forced landing in a few minutes."

At 1.07 p.m. the plane radioed: "Still have two motors going. Trying to get others started." Then at 1.08 p.m.: "Have just sent out distress."

Port Washington called the Cavalier at 1.09 p.m., but there was no answer. At 1.11 p.m. the Cavalier wirelessed: "Landing now." At 1.12 p.m.: "Landed O.K. Switch off. Standing by" and the final message at 1.13 p.m. just said "Sinking."

Three Missing

New York, Jan. 23. Mr. Alderson, the Cavalier's commander, is among the four of the crew rescued. The three missing are

steward, Robert Spence, and two passengers, Mr. Donald Miller, of Lincoln, Nebraska, and Mr. J. Gordon Oakes, of Manhattan, New York. The wives of both were rescued later.—Reuter.

Plane Sank Quickly

New York, Jan. 23. A wireless message from the Champlain says the Baytown reached the wrecked liner at 11 p.m. The survivors, who were hanging on to rubber lifebelts said that two passengers and the steward had weakened and let go the belts before help arrived. The plane sank in 10 minutes after she had alighted on the water, they said.—Reuter.

Plane Sighted

The Baytown in a wireless message reports having sighted the Cavalier and lowered her lifeboats.—Reuter.

Doctor Needed

New York, Jan. 22. The Baytown in a later message said, "We have some survivors and need a doctor." The United States interrupted stating, "We have a doctor."

It was reported by the Baytown to the coastguard that 10 survivors were found clinging to the battered wreckage of the Cavalier. Three were lost and apparently drowned. The survivors were described as badly off from cold and exhaustion as the result of a 10-hour battle against the waves. After hunting each other by means of powerful searchlights, the Baytown and Erie managed to come together and a doctor from the Erie rowed to the Baytown.—Reuter.

DISPUTE REPORTED

Britain and America at Odds Over Air Service

Washington, Jan. 21. It is understood that a dispute between Britain and the United States regarding the former's round-the-world air service is delaying the start of commercial Trans-Atlantic air transportation.

The dispute concerns the United States refusal to grant British interests landing privileges at Hawaii. In accordance with the 1935 arrangement, British and American interests were to make three round-trip Atlantic flights weekly each. On account of the reciprocal nature of the agreement both sides were obliged to begin the service simultaneously. On account of the delay in the starting of the Atlantic project, the United States this week arranged landing rights, with France for the purpose of enabling American airlines to begin trans-Atlantic operation in the spring without violating the British reciprocal arrangement.

The latter has reputedly long desired a round-the-world air service, and Imperial Airways maps show such a route extending across the Atlantic towards Canada, thence to Australia, over the Pacific to Australia, via Hawaii, and the British islands in the South Pacific. In Australia the route would connect with the all-Empire service now operated via Imperial Airways from London.

The only stumbling block—according to reliable sources here—is the United States refusal to grant landing rights at Hawaii, which are withheld because of fears of establishing a precedent with other foreign nations, notably Japan, for similar privileges. Officials decline to discuss the matter.

It is proposed the United States French service would be via the southern route, from Baltimore-Azores-Lisbon, probably terminating at Marseilles.—United Press.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward
For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Jan. 24; Imperial Airways 7 a.m. Jan. 27.
For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.
For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam, China Clipper 8.30 a.m. Jan. 23; Philippine Clipper Jan. 20.
For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Jan. 28.

Inward
From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 23; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 26.
From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.
From U.S.A., via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Pan American China Clipper 12.30 p.m. Jan. 24; Philippine Clipper Jan. 29.
From France, via Hanoi: Air France, 12.30 p.m. Jan. 26.

OBITUARY

Popular Resident Dies After Brief Illness

His many friends in the Colony were shocked to learn yesterday of the passing of Mr. Harold Seth, a prominent figure in local business and racing circles, and a member of a family well-known throughout the Far East. Mr. Seth died at the War Memorial Hospital on Saturday evening. He was taken ill only three days before, and death was due to pneumonia.

Born in Singapore, the late Mr. Seth was 57 years of age, and was the second son of Mr. Arathoon Seth, i.s.o., who was at one time Registrar of the Supreme Court of Hongkong. His brothers are Mr. S. A. Seth, formerly head of the firm of Seth, Munce and McLeure, who is now living in Australia, and Mr. J. Henry Seth, senior partner of Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming. He also has two sisters, Mrs. M. D. Bain and Mrs. M. C. Owen.

Unlike his brothers, both of whom are accountants, the late Mr. Seth was a merchant. After having been with the Hongkong Milling Co., he started business on his own, and at the time of his death was associated with Himly, Ltd.

The late Mr. Seth was a keen enthusiast in the Sport of Kings, and had raced and ridden ponies for a number of years with moderate success. He had also a great sense of humour, always making jokes, and this was reflected in the way he named his ponies. Among those he owned were Trilite II, New Year Gift, Knockout Leg, In Spite Of, Even Though, Have-a-snack, Ballymoney, Olo Cutom, Perversity, Harlene, Erstwhile, Meanwhile, Just That, Until Then and But After That. This year he had entered a pony called Laffin Tail, for the coming annual meeting.

Of the big races in which he figured were the Challenge Cup events of 1921 and 1926, in both of which his ponies, The Amcer and Duke of Frisco, ridden by Mr. A. J. P. Heard and Mr. Nemazee, respectively, came in third.

In his younger days, the late Mr. Seth was also a keen polo player, and took a great interest in shooting. Among his other activities, Mr. Seth had been a Volunteer. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace last year. Well-liked by all, his death has robbed business and racing circles alike of a popular figure.

He is survived by his widow, whom he married in Victoria, British Columbia, in 1935, and to her and other members of the family, the deepest sympathy is extended. The funeral will take place to-day, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.15 p.m.

WOMAN CAUTIONED

Mui-tsai Chastised And Complains

A woman, Mok Siu-lan, 34, was cautioned by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy on Saturday on a charge of keeping and unregistered mul-tai, Chau Tsai-sheung, 17, at her home in Bay View.

Mr. H. W. Fraser, Inspector of Mul-tai, said that the girl called at Bay View police station about 10 p.m. on January 19, and reported that she had been struck by a mistress with a piece of firewood, and had also been turned out of the house.

Investigations revealed that about 3 p.m. the same day, the girl had been scolded by defendant for neglecting the kitchen fire, and she had grumbled. This led to the mistress striking the girl, who was not seriously injured.

The girl had been presented to defendant by her own mother for \$100 Chinese currency, when she was eight years old, and had lived with defendant at Tungkok until September last, when she was sent to Hong-kong by defendant's father-in-law. The defendant herself had come to Hong-kong in December, 1937.

The girl did the ordinary work expected of a mul-tai, and received ample food and clothing. She was also occasionally given "lucky money." The defendant's husband was formerly an officer in the Canton navy.

Defendant claimed that the girl came down to Hong-kong as a refugee, owing to the Japanese threatening to attack Tungkok. It is understood that the girl will not be returned to defendant, but will be taken care of by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

APPOINTMENTS

New Officials and Some Promotions

The Government Gazette notifies that Mr. J. H. B. Lee has been appointed Chief Assistant to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs. Mr. T. B. Low is to be Assistant Shipping Master. Mr. D. J. Gil is to be a Wireless Technician, General Post Office. Dr. T. W. Ware has been appointed a Health Officer. Miss Leung Sheung-chi is to be a member of the Nurses Board for a period of three years, in place of Mrs. Wong Chow Fuk-ying resigned.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
schottische alude
scintilla retrievable
scurillure allure
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 7.

DARING HOLD-UP

Gunman Robs Bus In New Territories

Intercepted as he was making his escape from a bus which he had held up and robbed, a Chinese gunman shot a Chinese detective at point blank range in the New Territories yesterday. The detective is not expected to live.

The hold-up, which is the second similar affair in the New Territories during the past two months, occurred at 5.40 p.m. when the bus, which was travelling from Loong to Fanling, stopped at Mei Po to allow a passenger to alight. Just as the vehicle was about to start the conductor heard a voice behind him say "Don't move your hands!" and, turning round, he and the passenger saw a man standing at the rear brandishing a revolver. The man also boarded the bus at San On Long and was occupying a rear seat.

The gunman then ordered the passengers and conductor to leave the bus and when they were all lined up outside with their hands above their heads, he ordered the conductor, with threats to shoot, to throw down his bag, containing the afternoon's takings of \$57.05.

The bandit picked up the bag and backed away, still covering the conductor with his revolver, but when he had gone about 20 yards the conductor saw a man approaching to help him. The man, who is attached to the New Territories stations, was walking at the side of the road with an overcoat over his arm.

The conductor immediately shouted to Ma, who ran forward to grapple with the bandit and was just about to fling himself on him when the gunman turned and fired straight into his face. Ma fell to the ground and the gunman ran in the direction of Sheung Shui.

Ma is now in hospital in an extremely critical condition. A reward of \$500 has been offered by the police for the apprehension, information leading to the arrest and conviction of the bandit.

The previous hold up occurred on December 6 on the same road when two men held up a bus and stole the conductor's takings of \$65.

AIR RAID WARDENS

List of Training Courses Announced

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that the following Air Raid Warden Courses have been arranged.

The primary object of these courses is to train future Air Raid Wardens in the duties which they will be called upon to carry out should a state of emergency ever arise.

The course is open to both men and women and the Air Raid Precautions Officer ventures to hope that the community will give its full support, and attend these lectures in the earnest endeavour to build up a body of trained men and women to whom the general public can go for advice during peace and, in time of emergency, to act as leaders and helpers among their neighbours.

It is requested that the District Air Raid Wardens Sub-Committee will bring this announcement to the notice of the residents living in their respective districts and encourage attendance.

The following is the list of courses: Tuesdays and Fridays, as from January 13.—Club Lusitano, 5.30 p.m. Instructors, Mr. R. P. Dunlop and Mr. W. Clark.

Tuesdays, commencing February 7.—European Y.M.C.A., 6 p.m. Instructors, Mr. A. Howard and Mr. G. Frost. Tuesdays and Fridays, commencing February 7.—La Salle College, 6 p.m. Instructors, Mr. W. Leyden and Mr. L. Bones.

Mondays, commencing March 6.—Chinese Y.M.C.A., Waterloo Road, 7 p.m. Instructor, Mr. Chak Tai-kwong. Tuesdays and Thursdays, commencing March 7.—Public Restaurant, 7 p.m. Instructor, Mr. A. Bendall.

Mondays, commencing February 13.—Diocesan Junior Girls School, Duke Street, 6 p.m. Instructor, Mr. W. Leyden.

LOCAL BROADCASTS

December Summary Of ZBW and ZEK

During December, actual hours of transmission from the local broadcasting station totalled 454 1/2, of which 233 1/2 were devoted to European programmes and 221 to Chinese programmes, as follows:

ZBW (European).—Morning transmission including commercial news and church rays, 78 1/2; evening transmission 155 1/2. During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio concerts including spelling bee and 15.25 W. Orchestra. 5. Local rays (including church services) 20, Daventry rays (including epilogues) 97, Choir 1, Sunday evening epilogues 4, Children's concerts 6.

ZEK (Chinese).—Morning transmission including 15.25 W. Orchestra. 6. evening transmission including commercial news, 155. During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio concerts 24, Theatre rays 6, Studio talks (including Mandarin lessons) 10, Children's concerts 6. New licences issued during December totalled 377, and renewals of licences 592. The total of licences issued during 1938 was 10,005.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

We understand that the Viceroy is taking vigorous steps to oust the foreign residents from Kuling. A despatch has been addressed to all the Consuls in which some very precious arguments were advanced against converting Kuling into a health resort.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY LIFE DEPARTMENT

In future the EXTRA PREMIUM on LIFE POLICIES for residence in the Treaty Ports and Hongkong shall be REDUCED from 2 1/2 per cent. to 10 shillings per cent on the sum assured.—TURNER & CO., Agents.

25 YEARS AGO

The newspapers are engaged in heated controversy on the subject of the meeting of the Cabinet which will decide the Navy Estimates. The Conservative papers insist that Mr. Winston Churchill and his colleagues are at logger-heads, and declare that the meeting will decide whether he or Mr. Lloyd George will guide the Liberal Party on the question of Naval expenditure. They are confident that Mr. Churchill will carry the day.

The Daily News and Leader says that there is no basis for the Tory press to attempt to force the Government into a new plunge of reckless building, and declares that it is the nation's duty to build two and not four Dreadnoughts in the coming year.

All the papers admit that the 1913 estimates have already been exceeded, the result largely of the acceleration of three Dreadnoughts. They anticipate that one of the first acts of the Government in the coming Session will be the introduction of supplementary estimates, which the Daily Chronicle declares will cost four and a half millions, in addition to the estimates for 1914-15, probably approximating £50,000,000.

The following will represent the H.K. C.C. against R. O. Bird's XI on Tuesday January 27. Play is to commence at 10 a.m. and lunch will be served in the Pavilion. Team:—R. Honnell (Captain), R. N. Anderson, A. A. Claxton, D. E. Donnelly, A. C. E. Elborough, A. L. Gace, R. Kennedy, M. M. Mase, S. S. Moore, T. E. Pearce and R. P. Thuraid.

Reuter's correspondent at Panama states it is announced that there are now 30 feet of water in the Culebra Cut, which is the only part of the Panama Canal not completed. A large ocean steamer could traverse the Cut, and it is intended to send a Panama Railroad Company's steamer through probably in April.

Following the example of the Kaiser, the King of Bavaria has banned the Tango. A secret Cabinet order was circulated among the Bavarian Army officers informing them that His Majesty would look upon it with disfavour. It, during the Christmas festivities, officers took part in entertainments at which the Tango was danced. "The King," the order states, "regards participation in such a dance as absurd and unworthy of an officer. Officers must always remember the dignity of their positions, even when enjoying themselves in company."

10 YEARS AGO

Parliament re-assembled for the closing session to-day, and at question-time, the China situation occupied the attention of the House of Commons for a considerable time. Sir Austen Chamberlain, answering questions regarding the recent negotiations at Nanking, said that a nine Power treaty, granting tariff autonomy to China was signed by Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister, and Dr. T. Wang, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, on December 20. The United States, Germany, Greece, Belgium, Italy, Norway, the Netherlands, Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, France, and Poland, also concluded and signed tariff treaties with the National Government.

His Majesty's Government had formally recognised the National Government. Sir Miles Lampson presented his credentials to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, on the day following the signature of the treaty.

Lieutenant Almarich, of the French flagship Jules Michelet, piloting a reconnaissance launched from the warship, left Hongkong at 9 o'clock on Monday morning on a goodwill flight to Macao and back, carrying a message of greeting from Rear-Admiral Stoltz to the Governor of the Portuguese Colony. He returned yesterday to Hongkong, completing the first flight to and from Macao.

The Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong, in his private chapel on January 19, licensed the Rev. George Kingsford Carpenter, M.A., H.Sc., to officiate in his diocese. The Rev. G. K. Carpenter is a lay member of Trinity College, Dublin, and for the past six years has been an assistant master at Trinity College, Fochow, in the diocese of Fukien. He is also serving as an assistant master at St. Stephen's Boys' College, Hongkong.

Captain J. D. Whyte, from reserve, has gone master, Nanchang. Captain W. Shaw, of the Nanchang, is on reserve.

Captain J. L. Gamble, of the Kanting, is on reserve. Captain L. Evans, from reserve, has gone master, Kiangling. Captain C. E. Plunkett-Cole, acting Marine Superintendent, C.N. Co., Hongkong, has gone to special duty.

Captain C. H. Jones, from reserve, has gone master, Soochow. Captain J. McCulloch, of the Soochow, is on reserve. Mr. J. R. Forster, Chief officer, Sheng-king, is on reserve.

Mr. W. B. Paul, Chief officer, Fat-shan, has left. Mr. J. H. Bennett, from reserve, has gone Chief officer, Fat-shan.

Mr. M. McMillan, from Home, has gone extra chief engineer, Hsin Feng. Mr. D. McFar, from reserve, has gone extra chief engineer officer, Tatung.

5 YEARS AGO

The London "Daily Herald" says that there is now no further room for doubt that Japan's vast Imperialistic designs in Eastern Asia. It describes Mr. Hirota's speech as an announcement to the world at large of his intention, under the pretext of stabilising, bring under her own control, the whole of China. Japanese Imperialism is likely to destroy itself in the effort to carry out his grandiose plan, the paper claimed.



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NUTRITION SURVEY Government Committee Meeting Next Month

The first meeting of the Nutrition Research Committee appointed by His Excellency the Governor to inquire into the question of nutrition in the Colony, including the application of dietetics to the social problems of the Colony, will be held on Friday, February 3, it is learned.

The Hon. Director of Medical Services, Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, will preside.

The agenda for the meeting will be as follows:

1. To report the constitution of the Committee and terms of reference.
2. To discuss the appointment of a Secretary.
3. To discuss measures for dealing with known nutrition problems:—(a) dietary survey, (b) Nutrition Research Centre, (c) investigations into prevalence of beri beri and allied conditions; (d) nutrition value of bean curd.
4. Such other subjects as may arise before date of the meeting.
5. To consider date of next meeting.

money and propaganda across the Austrian frontier.

Falling an unequivocal reply to the Note, the Austrian Government plans, it is understood, to appeal to the League of Nations.

The Japanese Foreign Minister stated the foreign policy in the Diet to-day. He said: "For a time following the outbreak of the Manchurian Incident public opinion in America was aroused against Japan, bringing about something like temporary estrangement of the two peoples. It is hardly necessary to reiterate that Japan is actuated by no ulterior motive other than her desire to establish enduring peace in East Asia."

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H.M. TANK WAVE Admiralty Vessel Built At Taikoo

The steel water-tank vessel Wave was launched at Taikoo Dock on January 18.

The vessel, built to the order of the Admiralty and under their supervision, takes the highest class at Lloyd's. Her leading dimensions are 120ft. x 24ft. 6in x 12ft. 6in. She is intended for service in local waters.

The propelling machinery consists of a set of triple expansion engines, supplied with steam from a multitubular return tube boiler at a working pressure of 180 lbs. per square inch, and giving an output of 450 h.p. at 180 r.p.m.

In addition to a normal range of auxiliary machinery, including a steam driven 11 k.w. generator, a duplex reciprocating pump is fitted, with a centrifugal fire and salvage pump.

The christening ceremony was performed by Miss Eileen McCammon, before Commodore E.B.C. Dicken and other visitors.

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R. NAVY BEATEN IN LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION

CHINESE WIN IN SPITE OF MUCH WEAKENED SIDE MANY INJURIES DURING SPEEDY SOCCER MATCH

(By "Abc")

Despite playing with a very much weakened team, the Chinese nevertheless managed to defeat the Navy in the Lai Wah Cup on the Club ground yesterday by four goals to one. The margin of victory rather flattered the Chinese, however; for they were certainly not that much better than the sailors. All the five goals were scored in the second half.

A fast pace was maintained throughout the whole encounter. There were a lot of hard knocks and many players had to leave the field for attention. No quarter was asked for, and none given.

The feature of play in the first half was the speed in which the ball travelled from one side of the field to the other. Both sets of defenders were right on top of their form at this stage, and had no difficulty in keeping out the attackers. Nevertheless, though the Chinese backs seemed to be sturdier than Bellis and Still, it was Tam Kwan-kon, the Chinese goal-keeper, who had the more work to do of the two custodians. However, he was very safe with everything he did and certainly enhanced his prospects of being picked for the Colony team to meet Malaya next month.

TWO ABLE SUBSTITUTES

The Chinese were lucky in that they were able to put two backs in the field who played as well as Mak Siu-hon and Lee Tin-sang have ever done in the past. In Ho Yung-sang and Lo Wai-kuen, the Chinese yesterday had two very steady defenders who time and again averted danger for their side with hefty first-time kicks. It was perhaps just as well for the Chinese that Ho Yung-sang was in such splendid form. Thorburn and Hunt were the chief danger to the Chinese but Ho and Chang Chung-wan, the right half, more often than not had them under control.

On the whole, the half-backs were well-matched. The two pivots, Dixon of the Navy, and Leung Wing-chiu, of the Chinese, did a prodigious amount of work, but though the two Chinese outside forwards, Hau Ching-to and Chan Ping-to, were too fast for the Navy wing-halves, they were unable to make use of this advantage. Neither could centre the ball with accuracy, and Hau made things worse for the Chinese by his tendency to get himself into off-side positions.

The Chinese had bad luck in the first half when Lee Wai-tong, who led the forward-line, hit the post with Hazard well-beaten; but they had only themselves to blame when Hau Ching-to, with only the goal-keeper to beat, kicked the ball over the bar, and when Cheuk Shek-kam did likewise shortly after.

WEAK NAVY FORWARDS

The Navy forwards also were unable to get going. Thorburn was a hard-worker and made many open-

ings for his colleagues, but none of them seemed to pack a shot capable of beating Tam Kwan-kon. Spiller and Armstrong, the right-wing combination, failed to shine and Hendy was never able to elude the attentions of Lo Wai-kuen and Leung Wing-chiu.

At half-time, the score-sheet was blank. The second half started sensationally. The Navy forwards took the ball down in fine style and almost scored, but play swung over to the other end and after a melee in front of the Navy's goal, Chan Ping-to got the ball into the net from a rebound. There was a mass of players in the goal-mouth, some lying down and some standing up, but when they sorted themselves out, it was discovered that Bellis, the Navy right back, and Cheuk Shek-kam, the Chinese inside right, had hurt themselves. The game proceeded with both men out of play.

The Navy continued to make determined attempts to score and were rewarded when Thorburn took the ball across the goal-mouth and scored. His shot was deflected slightly by a defender and this beat Tam Kwan-kon.

In the next minute, the Chinese were ahead again. Sweeping down on the Navy half, they looked as if they meant business and the movement culminated in Chow Man-chai sending a high shot to the corner of the net. Hazard, who appeared un-expected, jumped for the ball too late.

Encouraged by this success, the Chinese dominated play and only the determined defence of the Navy backs kept them from adding to their score.

The Navy forwards, however, were unable to make headway and only Hunt and Thorburn looked dangerous.

FURTHER GOALS

The issue looked safe for the Chinese when Hau Ching-to was sent away by Lee Wai-tong and the ball, just beating Hazard to the ball, Lee himself added a fourth a few minutes later.

With this lead, the Chinese packed their goal. If the Navy forwards had found it difficult to score early on, they found it much more difficult now; but to their credit they kept on trying and were unfortunate not to reduce the deficit. On at least one occasion the ball hit the wood-work on its way towards goal.

One little criticism I would like to make regarding the handling of the

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Scotland Beats England In Fine Rugby Tie

WINNERS' HALF-BACKS IN SPLENDID FORM THROUGHOUT GAME

(By "Fly-Half")

One of the best games to watch this season was played on the Club ground on Saturday when Scotland defeated England by 19 points (two goals and three tries) to 11 points (a goal, a penalty dropped goal and a try) in the final of the International Rugby Tournament.



THEY GOT THEIR MAN—A Scots player brought down by the opposition in the International Rugby Tournament match on the Club ground on Saturday between England and Scotland. The Scots won by 19 points to 11.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

The Scots certainly deserved their victory as they were superior in most departments. Boe and Grievie generally outplayed their opposites, Askwith and Watts. The set scrums were mainly ruled by England, for whom Saller hooked excellently. In all other departments of forward play, the Scots had the best of things. It was chiefly from the line-outs that Scotland kept the backs well-supplied with the ball. In the loose mauls, the Scotsmen were quick in getting the ball back for Henderson to whip it out to Hutchison.

On Saturday's display, Henderson was superior to Talbot. The workmanlike way in which he caught awkward pass-backs from the line-out and swept the ball out to his three was delightful. Talbot was given very little scope with his try, but his passing was done hurriedly and, at times, wildly.

A FIELD DAY

Hutchison had a field day. His defence and attack were of exceptionally high standard. Bidwell, who was marking him, on the other hand played much below form, probably due to his having to play in the unaccustomed position, to him, of stand-off half.

Watts, who was brought in to fill the vacancy made by Lang's inability to play, and subsequent re-arrangement of the English team, played hard and on occasion displayed a fast turn of speed. Askwith was much subdued, being well marked by Grievie. All wing three were given very little to do. F. O. Thomas impressed with some very determined running.

Both full backs were rather on the slow side and seldom got near an opponent who had broken through. In fielding and kicking, both Brown and Catto were safe.

Right from the kick-off, the game was played at a very fast pace. Contrary to expectations, it was Scotland and not England which benefited from the open style of play. It paid the penalty for not talking and, Boe with the ball. Times and side-step was allowed to sell dummies and sidestep without an English player making any earnest attempt to tackle him.

HARD KNOCKS

The numerous knocks received by players bore witness to the hard way the players went for the ball. At one stage of the game, two players, Henderson and Bosanquet, were stretched out. Henderson apparently had cramp, but Bosanquet was badly hurt. He had to be carried off. It is now learned that the injury is no more than a bad bruise.

Bidwell opened England's account by a dropped penalty goal. In a

short time after this, Boe dummed his way past Askwith and Bidwell to touch down right behind the posts. Watson failed with this surprisingly easy kick. Next, Thomas got off on the Scottish right wing to touch down well out. Watson redeemed himself by converting with an excellent kick. Bosanquet replied for England with a try scored not many minutes before half-time.

EXCITING FINISH

Hutchison waltzed his way through the English defence to score an unconverted try not long after the resumption. Bidwell let Watts off in grand style for the latter to score an unconverted try.

With the score 11 points each, excitement ran high. Henderson broke through to score a clever try and brought the balance of play in favour of Scotland. Hutchison received a shoulder injury not long after Henderson's try and left the field, and Bosanquet had to be carried off with a back injury.

Crawford was drawn out of the Scottish pack to play inside-three and Grievie moved up to stand-off. Redman took over Bosanquet's position.

Grievie capped a good afternoon's display with a smart try which Watson majored.

The game was refereed by Lt.-Col. Linton, and the teams were: England—Lt. Catto, Lt. Brown, Lt. Bidwell, Lt. Askwith, Lt. Talbot, Lt. Saller, Lt. Watson, Lt. Thomas, Lt. Watts, Lt. Grievie, Lt. Boe, Lt. Henderson, Lt. Hutchison, Lt. Bosanquet, Lt. Redman, Lt. Crawford, Lt. D'Oyly, Lt. Ogle, Lt. Evans, Lt. Berry, Lt. Middlesex, Lt. Peers, Lt. Lyle, Lt. Cumberston, Lt. Dunnett, Lt. K. A. Watson, Lt. Lomax, Lt. Sutherland, Lt. Ross, Lt. J. G. Taylor, Lt. Crawford, Lt. R.C.S.

WELSHMEN SPRING A SURPRISE

Wales sprang a surprise by defeating Ireland in the preliminary game by five points (a goal) to three points (a penalty goal). The Irish were unable to get into action due to the keen marking of their opponents. The Welsh were best served by their forwards, amongst whom Bodington, Stark and Waldeen were prominent in the loose. Hain, Boustead and Page played well in the Irish pack.

Potter kicked the penalty goal for Ireland. As a result of a Welsh forward rush, Waldeen came into possession and scored a try, which was converted.

INTERPORT TRIAL

The following have been invited to take part in the Interport trial at 4.30 p.m. on the Club ground next Wednesday, following which it is hoped to select the Colony side to meet Malaya on Saturday, February 11.

Probables: Paym, Lt. J. E. Stevens (Ken), D. H. Stewart (Club), P. O. Askwith (Dainty), W. E. Grievie (Club) and D. H. Taylor (Police R.U.F.C.); Lt. Elliot (Eagle) and Lt. E. B. Talbot (Midway); K. A. Watson (Club), K. W. Saller (Club), Lt. Cumberston (R.S.), Lt. Dunnett (Club), K. A. Watson (Club), Lt. Lomax (Sutherland), Lt. Ross (Midway), A. J. G. Taylor (Club) and Lt. R. E. Crawford.

Possibles: W. McGrath (Club), Lt. M. J. P. Walters (Midway), H. D. Bidwell (Club), Lt. P. S. Skeeton (Midway), D. J. Bosanquet (Club), J. Hutchison (Club) and H. Henderson (Club); Lt. Sea, Remans (Eagle), E. A. Staples (Eagle), A. D. Thatchers (Eagle); Lt. Griggs (Midway), Lt. Bodington (Midway); Lt. Sgt. Page (Old A.A. Regt.), W. E. Peers (Club) and Pte. Berry (Middlesex).

Reserves: G. K. Chadwick (Club), P. F. O. Thomas (Eagle), Lt. Cpl. Boe (R. Scots), Lt. Lomax (R.A.), Sgt. Lt. Ellis (Midway), Redman (Club), Boustead (R.A.O.C.) and P. J. Cullinan (Police R.U.F.C.).

REFEREES' MEETING

The half-monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held in the Offices of the Hongkong Football Association, Room 55, 4th Floor, Bank of Canton Building, to-day at 8 p.m.

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Hongkong Preparing For Encounter With Macao

(By "The Pilgrim")

Some good talent was seen at the Interport Hockey trial held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning. The first-half resulted in a goalless draw between Colours and Whites.

To me the game seemed to be the Colony attack versus the defence. V. Bond and Sommer backs, with Hook, W. A. Reed and Malik, half-backs, did splendid work in defence for the Whites, whilst S. Fowler, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Nerain Singh and Parib were efficient in the Colours' attack.

Another man to catch the eye was J. Gonsalves, at right back for the Whites. His clearances and constructive play were grand. In the absence of U. B. Souza, young Ribeiro, in goal, gave a splendid performance. For the Whites, and though this young player is lacking in experience, the selectors will have to give him serious consideration.

The first half was hard-fought throughout, though Kennedy and Pritam Nath should have found the net on two occasions. G. Fowler, Pyara Singh and G. Singh for the Whites did not combine well in the attack, the last named being handicapped by playing in an unaccustomed position at inside left. However, they were extremely well-supported by their halves.

SECOND HALF

Several changes were made in the second half. Telok Singh partnered Bond at left back for the Whites, and Marques, Parker and Hassan formed the intermediate line. Bartlett, Lauder and Medd were the inside trio, with D. Smith and Miller on the wings.

For the Colours, Benwell replaced Ribeiro in goal, and Sommer assisted Gonsalves at left back, with no alteration between the halves and backs.

In this half, the attack, with a reliable half-back line consisting of Hook, Reed and Malik, were seen to advantage, the forwards being more

POPE, BAKER AND FAY RESPONSIBLE FOR POLICE WIN

Police junior league cricketers are delighted with their latest addition, B. C. Fay, and well they might be, for he played a notable part in their victory against the Army on Saturday, scoring an unblemished half century, and also showing useful form with the ball.

However, it was the "old brigade"—Pope and Baker—who laid the foundation of the Police victory. They disposed of the Army between them for a mere 65 runs. Pope was very accurate and in taking six for 26, clean bowled five of his victims. Baker obtained three of the remain-

ing wickets for nine runs in five overs.

Police did not start too well, but once Fay had entered, they knocked off the runs with ease. The Police Cadet was in his most punishing mood, yet his batting always retained a certain polished elegance, and, judging on this form, he is rather better than the average junior division bat. He made clever scoring shots all round the wicket, and looked capable of scoring as many runs as he liked.

H.K. LADIES DRAW WITH C.B.A. TEAM

(By "The Pilgrim")

The C.B.A. Ladies and the Hongkong Ladies played a goalless draw at King's Park last Saturday in the C.A.R. Cup competition.

Players were somewhat hampered by the hard and bumpy ground, but they managed to play interesting hockey in spasms.

After attacking continually in the first half, the C.B.A. were rather unfortunate in not taking the lead when a terrific drive from Mrs. White hit the cross bar and rebounded into play.

During the second half, the Hongkong Ladies shared the exchanges. Mrs. Dalziel, at centre-forward, was dangerous but in combination with Miss Reeve and Miss M. Smalley, their finishing was poor and as a result the attackers never attained a high standard of play.

The home side went very near to scoring on many occasions, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Ewing forming a menacing right flank combination.

During the closing stages, many a defence would have wilted before such persistent right wing attacks, but Miss Pope, a strong centre-half, and Miss E. M. Grey, a quick-tackling full back, and Mrs. Lunson, a resourceful goal-keeper, covered up with determination.

The C.B.A. half-backs did not play up to their usual form, and the rear-guard, in consequence, was not so reliable under pressure, though Miss P. Everest did well.

Play, on the whole, was rather uninteresting. Neither team combined with the smoothness expected of senior teams and a draw was a fair result.



Play in progress yesterday in the hockey match between past and present C.B.A. girls on the occasion of the opening of the new C.B.A. Club-house by Mrs. W. L. Handyside. The club-house can be seen in the background.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

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Eight-Ball Over Recommended For Colony

Greater Chances Of A Definite Conclusion

(By "R. Abbit")

Talking over the results of matches in the evening of Saturday last I came across a strenuous adherent of the eight ball over and I must confess he has got me thoroughly talked over. As a girlish enthusiast said to me the other day, I hate draws, and in at least two games on Saturday last, at K.C.C., and at the Civil Service ground, the eight ball over must have brought about a definite conclusion.

The time question cannot be worked out definitely as it depends on whether your bowler takes a long or short run, and on the rate and method of the batsmen's scoring. But it is a mathematical fact that six overs of eight balls equal eight overs of six balls in the number of balls sent down. The two extra balls will take very little time, comparatively speaking, and so you gain all but two overs in eight of the old six ball over. The number of overs under our present rule has been stated to be twenty per hour though, as I said before, it depends on other non-constant factors. That is, eighty in a four hour game, excluding intervals. The gain then in the 8-ball over scheme would be twenty overs less the total time it took to bowl all the extra balls, which I will call X.

COMING TO BRASS TACKS

Now turning to our figures for last Saturday. Seventy one overs in all were bowled in the Club vs Civil Service and the extra bowling overs would have been just on eighteen overs minus X. There is little doubt that one more over (and more of that amount) would have done the trick. Now for the K.C.C. seconds vs Craigengower. In all 60 overs were sent down, and in the proposed scheme the saving would have been a shade over seventeen overs minus X.

For purists let me say I use the word "over" both as equal to "six balls" and to "the time taken to bowl six balls." Again, in the Club second game vs Civil Service, less than eighty-two overs were bowled, where there would have been a saving of just over twenty overs minus X.

CONTRARY MINDED, IF ANY?

Actually the serious objection has always been that the eight-ball over is going to put too much of a strain on the bowlers and especially on the fast bowlers. Well, I don't see any serious bowler here going to be worried by the extra balls, more balls per over in the space of time that anyone bowls for in Saturday afternoon cricket. The other objection is that it is changing the rules of cricket. Well, the rules of cricket have been changed before now, and the change is peculiarly easy. The first third of the W.G.'s Cricket was played with a four ball over. Then five balls came in and not so long afterwards the present arrangement came in.

THE CHANGE

I do not think it possible for the League Committee to make the change this season as League matches have already been played. But to my mind it should certainly come into force next season. I do not say that it should be used in regular Tournament games, though I think it might well come in there too. On the whole I think it should become the general rule here.

CHANGING THE BOWLING

When talking with my very enthusiastic friend he raised another point--as to the amount of time wasted whenever the bowling was changed. The captain went into a long yarn with the bowler and then people were moved about. Now obviously a captain must consult his bowlers about their field when putting them on, but my friend's point was that each captain knows pretty well not only what bowlers he will use but also what fielders he will have at his disposal in League matches anyway, of which alone I speak. The idea is that before the match, plans of the field should be worked out for all the bowlers likely to be used and then circulated to the fielders as well as the bowlers. It may sound a lot but it really should take very little time once a beginning had been made. But I fear it is a thing that will never be done.

These Lovies Go Sleuthing



Supporting Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda in "The Mad Man Manton," these seven beauties aid in solving a serio-comic murder mystery. They are: (Lower row) Linda Terry, Frances Mercer, Vicki Lester; (Second row) Ann Evans, Catherine O'Quinn, Eleanor Hannan; (Top) Whitney Bourne.

Craigengower Seconds Hold Kowloon C. C. In An Exciting Finish

The most important factors which enabled Craigengower to avoid defeat against the K.C.C., in a junior division cricket match at King's Park on Saturday were the bowling of George Winch, which was so accurate that he kept the K.C.C. scoring well behind the clock during the first hour, and so prevented an earlier declaration, and the stout-hearted batting of H. P. Lim, who for an hour defied

Without these two players Craigengower would have been in a sorry plight. As it was they managed to hold out in an exciting finish, the ninth wicket falling in the last but one over with the home side enjoying a lead of 62.

Winch's final figures, 2 for 55, by no means represented his fine bowling during the early phases of the game. He conceded most of the runs in a second spell, when he bowled from the opposite end, and was quite obviously tired. But his first 10 overs had the home batsmen strictly on the defensive. Bowling wide out from round the wicket, he swerved disconcertingly with the shiny ball, and always struck a good length. So quiet did he keep the batsmen that the first 50 runs took an hour to make, and although the rate of scoring increased when he was taken off, the K.C.C. could never catch up with the clock.

Because Craigengower are reputedly strong in batting, the declaration could not be made until 150 runs were on the board, and this was not until ten minutes past four.

OFFERED SPORTING CHANCE
Even so, the visitors were offered a sporting chance of making the runs, undoubtedly these would have been attempted had not early successes close Craigengower back strictly on

Laurence took a good catch in the slips to send back Ride, Longfield, who had previously taken 6 for 27 and done the hat-trick, failed but Haymes and Scoones looked like getting the runs when stumps were drawn. I hear there was some discussion as to this and someone pointed out to the Jockey Club clock still pointed to two minutes to six. Well, what the Jockey Club clock says isn't evidence. The time is ruled by the umpire's watches which should be synchronised before the innings. If there is only one permanent umpire the match must be terminated by his watch. The one should be able to read the time on the Jockey Club clock at six o'clock on a January evening when on the C.S.C.C. ground! Usually you can't see the Jockey Club clock even if the defensive. After three-quarters of an hour it was clear that the issue would be whether the visitors could keep in long enough to stave off

Lim made a splendid contribution to this end, remaining in while seven other batsmen came and went, and batting faultlessly for his 36 runs. Afterwards, France proved a tower of strength in defending, and, very properly refusing to run, played out the last over with the K.C.C. fielders literally crouching over his bat.

Consistent batting allowed the K.C.C. to amass 154 for 6 declared, but it was the forcefulness of Mulcahy who hit up a merry 25 not out, and the stability of McKenzie, who obtained 29 in good style which enabled the home side to obtain such a safe position.

The Craigengower attack was very good at the start. Winch being ably supported by Omar, but when the former was brought back for a second spell he was treated in cavalier fashion by Mulcahy, while

BRILLIANT CATCHES
K.C.C. fielding contrasted very strongly. Brokenshire and White took splendid catches, and little was given away on the ground. It was this keen support which enabled the bowlers to return such good figures. Simpson bowled much better than usual and merited his four wickets for 24 runs, and Baldwin always had the batsmen playing off the back foot. Taylor, brought on in the last minute had the encouraging figures of two overs, two maidens, no runs, and two wickets.

So far as the Craigengower batting was concerned, only Lim shaped in a manner suggesting runs. He was very confident, but he could get nobody to stay with him. Winch might have made a few, but he was magnificently caught off a big hit to long leg, while Mitchell, shapping quite well, had the mortification of being brilliantly taken by White at backward point, the ball travelling off the bat like a bullet.

K.C.C. may, perhaps, count themselves a trifle unlucky to have been denied three points, yet credit must be given to the visitors for the manner in which they held out.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
schottische—schinilla—floriculture
allude—retrievable—allure

New C. B. A. Clubhouse Now Opened

"I have much pleasure in declaring this pavilion open. I wish the Central British Association all success." With these words, Mrs. Handyside opened the Association's new Clubhouse at King's Park yesterday by unlocking the door at the main entrance with a silver key.

Mrs. Handyside is the wife of Mr. W. L. Handyside, who, until the return from leave of the Rev. G. E. S. Upsell, was acting Headmaster of the Central British School.

After the opening ceremony, Mrs. Handyside was presented with a bouquet of flowers by little Mary White, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. White.

Although small in size, the new Clubhouse is designed to cover all the normal activities of a sporting club. It has a covered verandah which affords an excellent view of the sports field, a bar, men's dressing room, Committee room, and a boys' room. A feature of the building is the series of "bricks" with the names of the donors to the "Brick Fund."

Before asking Mrs. Handyside to open the Clubhouse, Mr. Upsell addressed the large gathering and outlined the history of the Central British Association.

He said that in 1924 some pupils of the Central British School, then known as the Kowloon British School, approached the Headmaster with a request, and this resulted in the forming of the Association. In 1925 the first pavilion was erected, partly by funds from pupils of the School and partly by funds from members of the Association.

Owing to the scarcity of old pupils, the doors of the Association were opened to outside people, and the Association greatly appreciated and was deeply grateful to those who joined, for the assistance they gave.

Change of Name
In 1931, continued the speaker, the School's name was changed to that of the Central British School, and the Association was then known as the Central British Association.

The typhoon of 1937 destroyed the old Clubhouse, and the present one was built through the tremendous efforts of the Committee. There was still a small debt to be paid, and members and old pupils could help by purchasing a "brick" in the main hall of the Clubhouse for \$10.

Before concluding, Mr. Upsell paid a warm tribute to Mr. J. J. King, Hon. Secretary of the Club, who had done many years' excellent work for the Association, and who was indefatigable in plugging the interests of the Association to the fore.

Just before thanking Mrs. Handyside for opening the Clubhouse, Mr. Upsell mentioned that it was hoped the old pupils of the School would rally to the help of the Association.

Guests present at the function included Mrs. G. E. S. Upsell, Mr. W. L. Handyside, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hunt and the Misses Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. R. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. White, Miss M. I. White, Miss H. Bockler, Miss P. W. Brown, Miss B. Gidley, Miss S. Whitley, Miss J. Felshaw, Miss C. Bone, Miss M. Smith, Miss E. Findlay, Messrs. L. R. Ilderson, G. Fowler, W. Muir, W. Mulcahy, K. Hussain, G. W. Arnold, J. J. King, T. H. W. King, T. R. Ingram, S. MacNider, K. Forrow, M. Manning, T. Whitley, W. H. G. Hirst, A. Summers, A. E. P. Guest, J. A. E. Peters, B. I. Blackford, W. A. Smith, A. J. G. Taylor, A. F. Austen, V. C. Bond, J. Odell, D. T. Smith, H. Millington.

The Association's Committee members for 1938-39 are: The Rev. G. E. S. Upsell (Chairman), Miss J. L. King (Hon. Secretary), Miss I. L. Woolley, Miss G. MacNider, G. W. Arnold and W. Muir.

DAVIS CUP TOURNNEY
Yamagishi And Nakano To Represent Japan
Tokyo, Jan. 22.
The Japan Tennis Association today announced the appointment of Jiro Yamagishi and Fumihiko Nakano as members of the Japanese team to participate in the Davis Cup tournament this year.

The Japanese team, as last year, will take part in the American Zone. Both players represented Japan in last year's contests, but were defeated by Australia in the final round.

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INDIANS' BATTING COLLAPSES

Wood And Carless Much Too Good

The Indian R.C. seconds, who performed so creditably against Hongkong C.C. the week before, came a terrific cropper when they met the Navy seconds, champions of the Junior Cricket League, at Soekumpoo on Saturday and were beaten by 58 runs.

The home players did very well to dismiss the Navy batsmen for only 105 in spite of the fact that the sailors were one man short. But when they themselves went in to bat they found the bowling of Wood and Carless much too good for them and were all out for 47.

At one stage of the game, the Navy did not look as if they would see the 100 mark. They had lost six wickets for less than 50 runs, but A. B. Smith and E.A. Clayton stayed together for half an hour, by the end of which period the Navy stock had risen considerably. Smith gave a hard return catch to Abbas early in his innings but it was not accepted, and he went on to make a century. Apart from him and Clayton, nobody else in the Navy team did anything of note with the bat.

Normally 105 on the I.R.C. ground would have been an easy task for the Indians; but those who had thought so on Saturday had reckoned without Wood and Carless.

ALL AT SEA

Wood bowling fastish left-arm round the wicket and Carless, turning from the leg, had the Indians in difficulties from the start. The first wicket fell at 15, the second at 26, the third at 35 and the fourth at the same score. Thereafter little progress was made by the Indians while their batsmen staged a little procession to and from the pavilion. Nine wickets were down for 41, and though A. R. Markar and X. T. Barlow stuck in for nearly 20 minutes for the last-wicket partnership, they added only six runs.

The Indians made the mistake of playing back to Carless and spinning them from the leg. Four batsmen got bowled in this manner, being beaten by the spin.

Wood also was giving a good account of himself at the other end. He kept a good length most of the time, but his speed prevented the Indians from taking liberties with him even when he sent down loose ones.

It was a miserable display by the Indians, who had only themselves to blame for this wretched batting exhibition. Capt. Carless at one stage had taken six wickets for 10 runs and finally finished up with six for 26.

participate in the Davis Cup tournament this year.

Navy Beaten In Lai Wah Cup

(Continued from Page 8.)

game is that far too many petty infringements were allowed to pass unpunished. As a result dangerous play crept into the game, especially in the second half.

Teams:
Chinese.—Tam Kwan-kon; Ho Yung-sang, Lo Wai-kuen; Chang Chung-wan, Lee Wing-chiu, Hsu King-shing; Chan Ping-to, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-long, Chow Man-chi and Hau Ching-to.
Navy.—Hazard, Bellis, Sull, Honeywell, Dixon, Fisher, Armstrong, Spiller, Hendy, Thorburn and Hunt.

Cat Back 18 Months Later

Centerbrook, Conn. Time means nothing to Dick, the family cat of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dolph. A year and a half ago the cat wandered away. Then it came back, rattling the latch on the door as it always had done to gain admittance to the house, and settled down as if it had been gone only for the night.

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Is he a "Little Devil"?

SOMETHING in the course of conversation made me tell the story of the little girl who was playing in a farmhouse kitchen when they brought in a dead hare from the harvest fields outside.

When she saw the hare the child wept passionately and refused to be comforted. A little later in the day, when her heart was lulled, her mind became active, and she sidled up to her mother and whispered, "Mummie, please may I go and see the hare skinned?"

"Children," said my friend, "aren't all they are cracked up to be."

We were having lunch, and as she spoke she was buttering her toast with a sort of spanking movement.



"Oh, come!" I said, "Surely that depends largely on the parents?"

She gave me an awful look. "Would you call me incompetent?" she asked. "Could you possibly say that I haven't taken every care, followed every guide book to health, and child psychology, and, in fact, been absolutely devoted to Meg, and Richard since they were born?"

"Tell me," I said, soothingly, "You remember Richard?"

"Of course," I said, remembering him. A good-looking, charming little boy three and a half years old, who would sit for hours on the floor, playing happily by himself, and then would suddenly rush across the room to fling his arms round his mother's neck and hug the life out of her.

He used also, I remembered, to fascinate his father with such questions as, "How far is away?" or "When is sometime?"

"A heavenly child," I added, warmly.



"He was," said his mother, darkly. "But not now, not any more. He has become an absolute little devil, and I can't stand him. He isn't a baby any more; he is four and a half, and has children at all." I said indignantly, rather a quick and amusing mind, "I'm very fond of children. I like save yourself from bursting by adding a quick and amusing mind, but I believe the only thing he uses being with them, and if they happen to be like me I am immensely flattered. I want to understanded, and won't it be cold?"

There comes an age when most children seem to try to be naughty

"Is he jealous of Meg?" I suggested, remembering psychology.

"Not a bit; he adores her; it's the nearest thing about him the way he adores Meg."

"Well, then, is he bored? Does he lack friends of his own age?"

"Why should he be bored?" asked his mother. "He has plenty of friends, plenty of toys, and a normal, happy home. No, he just takes a delight in being deliberately naughty, and punishing seems to make no difference. I've even spanked him, in a mild way," she added in a doubtful tone.

"I don't hold with spanking," I said, pompously.

"You don't live with Richard," said Richard's mother.



Then she fixed me with a challenging eye. "You challenge yourself with children. What do you don't fancy myself with?"

"I don't fancy myself with children at all," I said indignantly, rather a quick and amusing mind, "I'm very fond of children. I like save yourself from bursting by adding a quick and amusing mind, but I believe the only thing he uses being with them, and if they happen to be like me I am immensely flattered. I want to understanded, and won't it be cold?"



The Uses Of Glycerine

GLYCERINE is invaluable in the home, and can be utilised in countless different ways.

When a cloth is badly stained with ten, glycerine, ammonia and water will remove the marks. Mix equal quantities of water and glycerine, with just a dash of ammonia. Soak the stains well in this, then wash in warm soapy water. The stains will vanish completely without any rubbing.

Fruit stains can likewise be treated with glycerine. Rub the stain thickly all over with glycerine, and put the cloth aside for an hour. Then, stretching the material tightly, pour boiling water through it, afterwards washing with soap in the usual way. When woollen garments begin to turn a bad colour, or show signs of getting "felled," add a spoonful of glycerine to the rinsing water.

Shoes that are looking dry and cracked after exposure to the rain and mud will appear as good as new if treated in the following way:—Dry thoroughly, clean well, and rub glycerine into the leather, leaving it to soak for a day or two; then clean with good shoe polish in the usual way, and the leather will be delightfully supple and glossy.

A few drops of glycerine, well heated, and dropped into the ear, make a good old-fashioned remedy for earache that seldom fails to give relief; and a mixture of glycerine and lemon juice, in equal quantities, and slightly warmed, is a splendid cure for sore throats and ineffectual colds.

Glycerine is excellent for whitening the hands. Mix it with equal parts of lemon juice and eau-de-Cologne, or with soft water in which a little cucumber has been boiled, and apply it every night. People who do much dirty and rough work will find this treatment invaluable.

M. L. B.

Apple Rice Surprise

THE children as well as the grown-ups will want a second helping of this unusually delicious pudding.

Stew one pound of cooking apples in a very little water with two ounces of brown sugar. When they are cooked, rub them through a wire sieve. Cook four ounces of rice in one pint of milk until tender, and let it cool.

To the rice, add the puree of apples, two ounces of shredded suet, four ounces of sugar, the grated rind of an orange, and two well-beaten eggs. If desired, two ounces of chopped peel can also be added.

Turn into a greased basin and steam for two hours. Serve with or without hot pouring custard.

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Fussing Over Visitors

I AM not one of those people who carp at everything modern and exalt everything belonging to "the good old days." But there is one fault I find among my contemporaries which was certainly not prevalent in earlier times, and that is our lack of hospitality. I do not mean that we resent people coming to see us. No, we are only too ready to tell them to drop in, but the point is we all too frequently take it for granted that it is pot-luck they drop in for.

Nowadays there is too much casual receiving of visitors. Once upon a time hospitality was a real art. An evening out was a real occasion and a very enjoyable and memorable experience. Host and hostess devoted their attention to their callers and made them feel that they had put forward a charming act in coming; further, they exerted themselves to be bright and witty and also supplied some self-refreshments.

You came home after a visit cheered and flattered by the attention you had received. It really brightened life. It spread a congenial spirit among friends, and generated friendship.

The Off-Hand Manner

It is different to-day. Notice how often the hostess—and generally the host, too—is not only informal, but frequently off-hand, giving the visitors the feeling that they are something like necessary evils. Warmth is generally lacking.

Of course, I realise that this is partly the result of our modern craze to do away with pomposity and to be informal. But we have carried it too far. We have, at least in our entertaining, become casual instead of informal, and there is a lot of difference between the two. A certain amount of formality and courtesy is all to the good. It makes human contact so much more gentle.

The art of entertaining charmingly should be cultivated. I should like to see us putting our best foot forward in the conversation line, if it

happens to be talk which is taking place. If it is bridge, I should like to see all the necessary articles conveniently and pleasantly arranged. And one thing I should particularly like to stop is the habit of some hostesses have of knitting or darning or sewing when visitors are in the house. It is a different matter when a number of people have met especially to work and are all doing it. Nothing is so conducive to a chilly atmosphere, however, as to have the hostess's eyes and mind away from you and concentrated on a cardigan or stocking.

Tasty Refreshments Necessary

Refreshments should be fresh and tasty. I always have some sandwich spreads and so on in the house, and I can at a few moments notice, produce some really delectable "open sandwiches"—that is, small squares of buttered bread spread with various mixtures. I make these because they are so much quicker to do and are, as a matter of fact, more appetising than three-ply sandwiches. I can always manage these small square sandwiches for unexpected callers, but when I know beforehand that my visitors are coming, then I really like to show what I can do.

Any trouble I take is well worth it. A pleasant evening cheers not only our visitors but ourselves, too, and makes us less reluctant to return to the more humdrum part of life. Further, I consider that any effort made, whether it is a job of work well done, or a good long walk on a cold evening, stimulates the spirit, while boredom and monotony play havoc with it. And there is particular delight in a job of work done for pleasure instead of for money.

After all, if you go out anywhere, you really go for the purpose of having some pleasurable distraction, otherwise you might as well stay at home. So let us make it a pleasure instead of what is more often seems, a mere habit, or even a duty.

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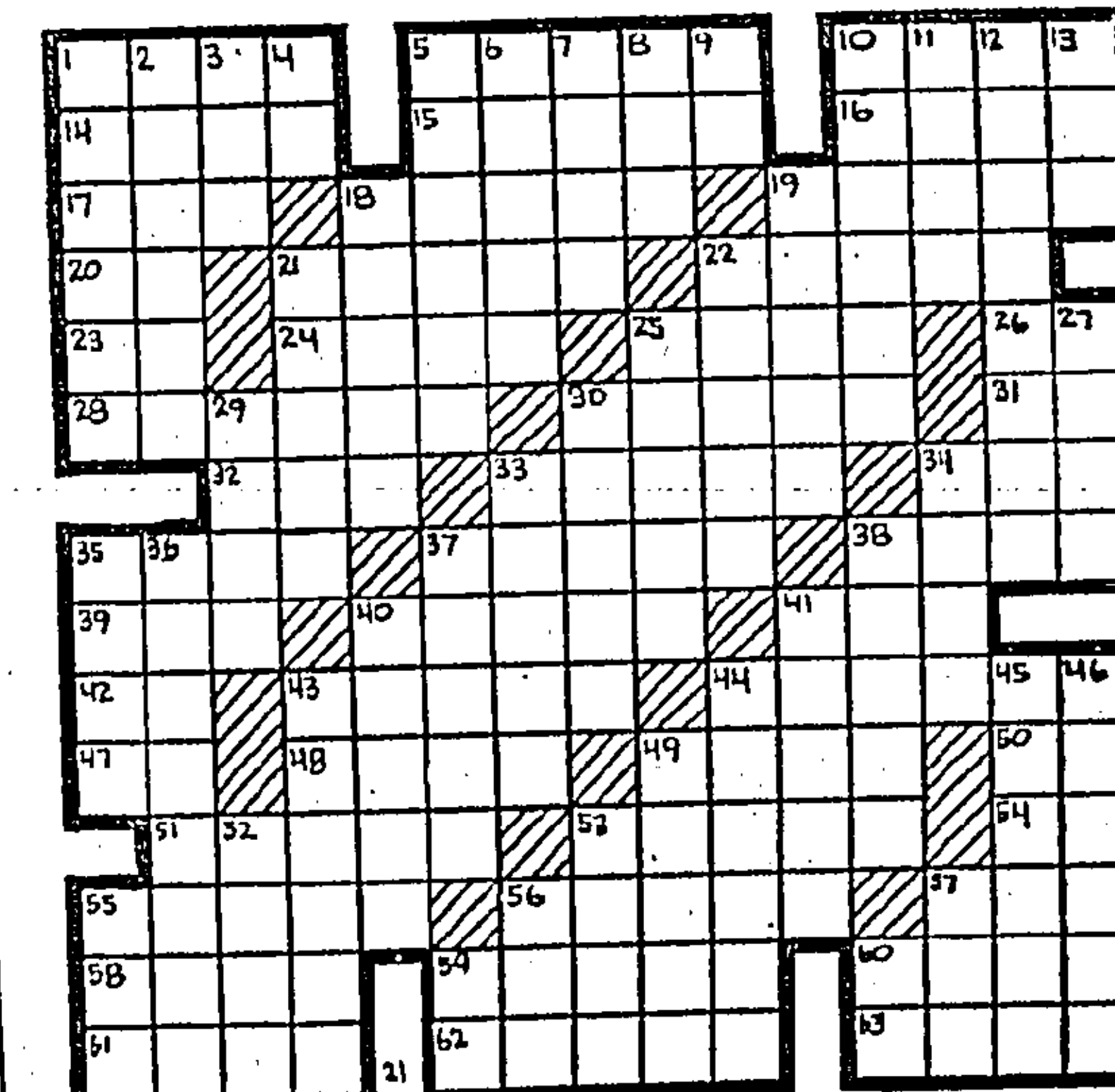
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3-Reciprocally	3-South American
4-Child's name	4-Smile
5-Holiday	5-Excitation
6-Ditch	6-Compas point
7-Lamb	7-Was done
8-Snowed	8-Compass of NW
9-Die	9-Live
10-Sun and	10-Defile
11-Sleeping	11-Will separate
12-Deceived valley	12-Deceived
13-Colum	13-Defect
14-Group of three	14-French river
15-Excitation	15-Unyielding
16-Extraneous	16-Deficiency
17-Three-toed sloth	17-Substitutes
18-Dead eagle	18-Expression
19-Run away	19-Weird
20-Entirely	20-Am not
21-Mend	21-Officer
22-Intersect	22-Illustrative story
23-Ship	23-Part of ship
24-Evergreen shrub	24-Included object
25-U. S. Senator	25-All over again
26-Doing forth young	26-Monster-like animal
27-Man's nickname	27-Fighting
28-Use cookware	28-Demise
29-Endured	29-Afterward
30-Compass point	30-Atlassian city
31-Fake night	31-Nale sheep
32-For fear that	32-Illuminated
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An acid flavour is often noticeable when using tinned tomato pulp or puree in soup. To remedy this, add a teaspoonful sugar to the puree early in the cooking.

If in cake making the mixture is too thick, add a little water. To ensure that a pot does not boil over, place a cloth over the top of the pan, and cover plate with lid. As steam from the cooking rises it touches the cold plate, which causes it to condense and drop back as moisture. This plan should be adopted with conservatively cooked vegetables and stews.

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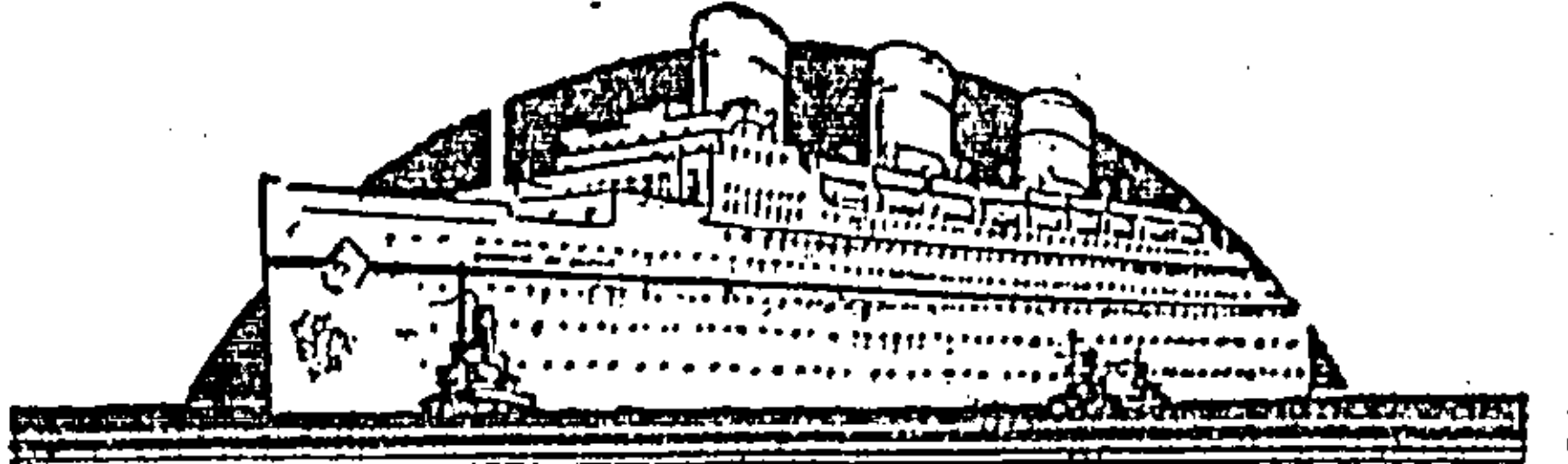
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Chancellor Hitler, high Nazi officials and thousands of other spectators were present at Kiel, when Germany's first airship carrier was launched. The ship was christened the "Graf Zeppelin" by Countess Brandenstein-Zepplin, only daughter of the late Count Zepplin, who developed the dirigible. The new ship will carry 40 planes and will bristle with anti-aircraft guns. Her main battery is 16 six-inch guns.



At left is Frank Donald Coster, president of McKesson & Robbins drug company, who committed suicide in his home at Fairfield, Conn., after New York police had turned up evidence showing he was Philip Musica, former convict and swindler. Records listed him as serving a sentence in 1909 for bribery of customs officials and arrested in 1913 in a \$2,000,000 syndicate in his human hair goods firm. At right, "George Vernard," indicted in the drug case, later identified as his brother, Arthur Musica.



Dr. Afranio de Mello Franco of Brazil, who was elected president of the Commission for Organization of Peace, at the Pan-American conference in Lima, Peru.



Dr. Emil Hacha, new president of much reduced Czechoslovakia, second from left, receives with his ministers the salute of troops in Prague, after a parade in connection with his induction into office. At right is General Jan Syrový, former Prime Minister, now Minister of Defence in the new cabinet of Premier Rudolf Benes.



One-day general strike in France against rescinding of the 40-hour week ruling, was quickly broken when Premier Edouard Daladier requisitioned all public-service employees to remain at work under their military obligations. Frenchmen responded to their duty.

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The Hongkong Stock Exchange
official summary issued at 12.30 p.m.

January 21, says:

The morning trading was again on
the small side, conditions being
generally quiet.

Buyers

H.K. Banks \$1,370
Union Ins. \$40
H.K. Fire \$170
H.K. Hotels \$6.00
H.K. Land \$20
Realities \$3.50
H.K. Tram \$17.20
Sundank Lights \$10.10
Entertainments \$7

Sellers

H.K. Banks \$1,300
Union Ins. \$40
Underwriters 70 cts.
H.K. Hotels \$6.05
H.K. Land \$20
Realities \$3.75
H.K. Tram \$17.15
China Lights (Cum. Rts) \$9.40
Telephones (New) \$8
Cements \$10.70
Lane Crawford \$8
Constructions \$15

Union Ins. \$163
Doubles \$1
H.K. Docks (Old) \$17 1/2
H.K. Tram \$17 1/2
China Light (Rights) \$3.00
Electric \$37 1/2
Sundank Lights \$10.10
Antumoka \$4
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Hunro Gold \$2
Benquet Cond. \$13.90
Coco Groves \$5.51
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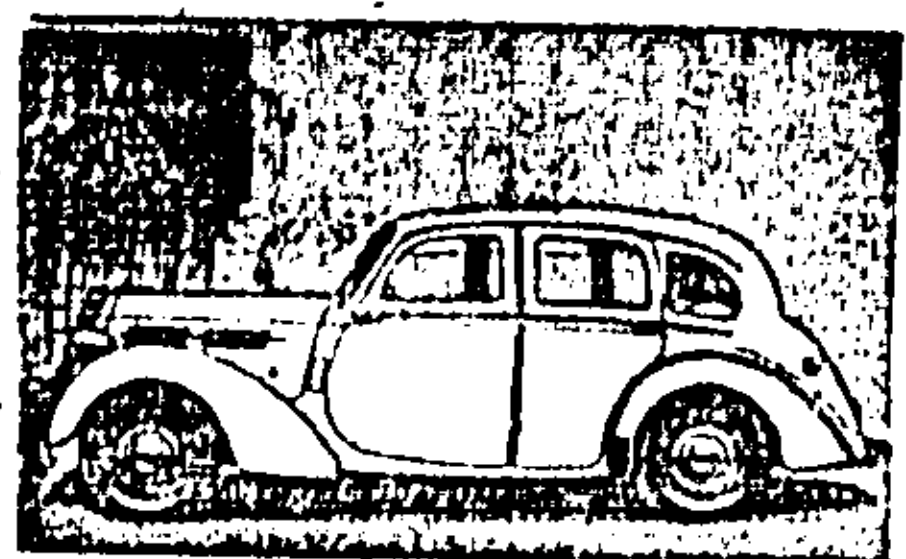


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INSURGENT VICTORY ENVISAGED BY DEMOCRACIES

LONDON, Jan. 22.

WITH GENERAL FRANCO steadily closing in on Barcelona, the "Observer" diplomatic correspondent discusses the possible effect on German and Italian diplomacy of a Franco victory in Spain.

The writer states that consultations have taken place through diplomatic channels between the British and French governments about the potential effect, especially on France, of an Insurgent victory.

He adds that it is not feared that either Germany or Italy will obtain any strategic footing in Spain, "as it is recognised that General Franco's following is as nationalist in the Spanish sense, as Hitler's is in the German sense, and Mussolini's is in the Italian sense."

INSURGENT VANGUARD NEAR CITY

LERIDA, Jan. 22.

AS A RESULT of to-day's advance, the Insurgents claim that their front line is now within 15 miles of Barcelona at certain points.

The Insurgent phalanx of 150,000 faces the Llobregat River defences running north-westwards from the coast.

Progress averaging five miles is also claimed on the 25-mile front from Igualada to Vilanova, and that simultaneously the Insurgents are advancing along the road to Seo de Urgel and the Ponsonosa road, with the evident intention of severing Barcelona's link with France.

SUPPLIES FROM FRANCE?

The Insurgent authorities at Burgos declare that war material for the Loyalists, including 22 tanks passed through the frontier towns of Port Vendres, Cerberes and Laperthus on Friday night.

Customs officers in those towns received orders to permit passage of the material, they add.

A Valencia message says that the British steamer Stanholm was slightly damaged in an air raid this morning, in the course of which 50 bombs dropped.—Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK IN AIR RAID

Barcelona, Jan. 22.
Ten air raids have been made on the city in the last 24 hours, but the number of casualties and the amount of damage is not yet ascertainable. It is reported that the British steamer, African Mariner, was sunk during one of to-day's raids.

The air raids led to a spectacular air battle over the city, in which 40 Insurgent and 24 Loyalist planes participated.

The Insurgents are apparently attempting an air blockade in order to prevent supplies reaching the city. The planes are paying particular attention to the coastal road to France.—Reuter.

Perpignan, Jan. 22.
The President of Loyalist Spain, M. Azana, has left Barcelona on his way either to Valencia or Madrid, according to the reports of a French traveller driving here, who adds that other Government offices are following.—Trans-Ocean.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS MOVING

St. Jean De Luz, Jan. 22.
The Diplomatic Corps has left, or is leaving Barcelona, it was reported here to-day. The French Embassy (Continued on Page 4.)

JAPANESE CONSCRIPTS Military Service To Be Extended

TOKYO, Jan. 23.

WITH A VIEW to replenishing the means of national defence, the Government has decided to submit to the current session of the Diet a bill providing for revision of the existing conscription law whereby the term of the military service on the reserve list of the Army will be extended by five years.

The terms of the first and second reserve lists of the Navy will be extended by one and two years, respectively, under the revised service act, it was officially announced here.—Domei.

GUERRILLA FORCE NEAR SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23.

CHINESE TROOPS in large numbers are steadily pouring into the country surrounding Shanghai, forcing isolated Japanese outposts again to resort to drastic defensive measures.

HEAVY AIR RAIDS ON SHENSI CITIES

HEAVY AIR RAIDS on China's interior were continued throughout the week-end by Japanese naval and military planes.

A "Central News" message states that over thirty civilians were killed when 15 bombers raided Weinan, a village between Sian and Chengchow.

About fifty buildings near the railway station were totally demolished, he report states.

The Japanese planes appeared in close formation at 11 a.m. According to Japanese claims, bombs were dropped on the Chinese First Division headquarters, station buildings and factories and warehouses in both the old and new cities.

Other cities in northern Shensi were visited by Japanese bombers yesterday, severe raids being reported at Yanan and Loehwan.

R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve Expansion

London, Jan. 22.
The Air Council has announced the immediate expansion of the R.A.F. volunteer reserve by the formation of aircraft crew and ground sections, recruitment for which begins forthwith.

The aircraft crew section has been formed for training volunteer reservists as observers, wireless operators and air gunners for the multi-seater aircraft.

The ground section includes aircraft hands, fabric workers, motor drivers, etc.—Reuter Special.

LONG SERVICE TERM

London, Jan. 22.
The Air Ministry announced candidates for short-service commissions in the air force in future will be given an opportunity for a longer period of service on the active list, namely six years instead of four, if they so desire.

The upper age limit for applications from civilians is to be raised from 25 to 28.—Reuter Special.

Fukuoka Disaster

Tokyo, Jan. 23.
So far 65 dead, and a large number of injured have been brought to the surface after a coal-mine disaster in the province of Fukuoka.

Rescue work, it is stated, is extremely difficult. The fate of 70 miners is still uncertain.—Trans-Ocean.

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MISS AILLEN TAI, A Hongkong Chinese girl who is visiting London, was one of many people from all parts of the British Empire who were televised at Alexandra Palace, North London, during the Television broadcast of the 200th Edition of "Picture Page," a popular series of telecasts. Miss Tai is on extreme right of group. In the photograph are, back row, from left to right, Captain Tawera Moana (Maori); Lance-Corporal McDowell (Canadian 'Mountie'); and Amu (African piper). In the front, from left to right, are Miss Mya Shin (Burmese), Miss Virjee (Indian), Miss Cecily Demetrius (West Indies), Miss Aileen Tai (Hongkong), and, extreme right, the Red Indian Chief, Os-ke-non-ton.—Photograph by courtesy B.B.C.

GUARD FOR ROYALTY

Women To Appear
In Court To-day

LONDON, Jan. 22.
TWO WOMEN arrested in Manchester and charged under the Explosive Substances Act, will both appear in court on Monday.

Special police precautions following the bombing outrages, have extended to Sandringham, where the King and Queen, and other members of the royal family are staying.—Reuter.

NO COMPROMISE

London, Jan. 22.
The Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, Lord Craigavon, said to-day that "All bombs in the world cannot unite Ulster with Southern Ireland."

Lord Craigavon added that Ulster would much sooner fight, than give in, and that a compromise was out of the question.

IRISH ULTIMATUM?

It was stated here to-night that the Irish Republican Army has sent an ultimatum to Mr. Chamberlain, demanding that all English troops be immediately withdrawn from Ulster. The ultimatum is said to have been signed by the "Secretary of the Government of the Irish Republic."—Trans-Ocean.

Queen Farida For Rome Wedding

Teheran, Jan. 22.
It is stated here that Queen Farida will accompany the Egyptian Princess Fawzia, 17 years-old sister of King Farouk, to her wedding here to the Iranian Crown Prince, Mohammed Reza Pahlavi.

Queen Farida, the bride and bridegroom, and three other Egyptian Princesses will arrive on April 15 on board the Egyptian royal yacht, and will proceed to Teheran on the new Trans-Iran railway.—Trans-Ocean.

DRAMATIC STORY OF RESCUES IN MID-ATLANTIC

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.

ALL THE SURVIVORS of the sunken Cavalier, with the exception of Captain M. R. Alderson, are reported to be in fairly good condition, although suffering from extreme exposure, submersion and shock.

At 11 a.m., the tanker Baytown, which rescued the Cavalier survivors, was estimated to be about 145 miles south-east of New York, making between 11 and 12 knots, and it was expected to dock somewhere in New York harbour.

Meanwhile coastguard cutters have reached the spot where the Cavalier sank, and they have been ordered to continue the search for the missing plane and three missing people until nightfall, although there is very little hope that they will be successful.

The Baytown's skipper wire-lessly a laconic report of the rescue of the ten survivors in dangerously high seas.

HEARD VOICES CALLING

The report stated: "Arriving at a true position at 11 p.m., we heard voices calling east of us. We stopped, put over a lifeboat, and picked up ten survivors hanging on to rubber lifebelts. Two passengers and a steward were so weak that they let go of their belts."

Commander McElligott of the coastguard cutter Champlain, interviewed by wireless by the National Broadcasting Company, said that the passengers and crew of the flying boat had not time to put on their lifebelts before the plane sank, but were obliged to cling as best they could. Belts are attached to each seat, and clearly marked in large letters "Front," and giving instructions how to put on the belts. But the Cavalier obviously hit the water so hard—the ships necessarily maintained a high landing speed—that the passengers had to take the belts with them into the ocean, instead of being able to don them.

STRAIN AND TERROR

According to information obtained from the survivors, stated Commander McElligott, all the thirteen were in one group, and life-saving apparatus was thrown to them. The three missing persons weakened and disappeared.

Because of the strain and terror, the survivors later could give no coherent account of the time of their disappearance. A survivor, the wife of one man who is suffering from a head injury, definitely stated that she saw her husband sink from sight shortly after the Cavalier struck the water. The steward is also believed to have been seriously injured.

In view of this, it is believed that further search for the three missing people will be futile, and it will be discontinued after dark to-day.

NO HOPE NOW

The Baytown is now travelling full-speed for New York with the ten survivors of the Cavalier aboard. The commander of the vessel radioed that doctors had examined the survivors and had decided that they were able to await full medical attention when the ship arrived at New York, which she was expected to do at 1 a.m. on Monday.

The rescuers have abandoned hope of finding the three missing people, a steward named Robert Spence and two passengers, Donald Miller and Gordon Nokes, who, apparently, disappeared.—(Continued on Page 4.)

Mussolini's Gibes At Democracy

Rome, Jan. 22.

Sarcastic references to Western democracies and adversaries of Fascism formed the keynote of Signor Mussolini's speech to an audience of farmers to-day.

After saying that their adversaries were too stupid to be dangerous, and that their speeches were full of puerile, calumnious and fantastic statements, he added that the latest of these was the French prelate's story that the Vatican had advised France to stand firm.

"I am sure the story is an idiotic one," declared Signor Mussolini. "Stand firm is an easy thing to say, but suppose to-morrow an Italian should be found—and he will be—to say to the Italians that they must stand firm still?"

He added that the present price of wheat will remain unchanged for the 1939 harvest, which he hoped would be a good one.—Reuter.

LATEST

D.B.S. Ex-Student Goes To Prison

John Winch, 24, unemployed, an ex-pupil of the Diocesan Boys' School, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning when convicted on two charges of larceny from the School on January 16 and 20.

Detective Sergeant Morrison prosecuted, and said a trap was laid by the pupils of the school after some clothing had been stolen on January 16. Winch was caught leaving the school on January 20 with two articles of clothing.

Six articles of clothing were stolen on January 16, and Winch was actually wearing a pair of the stolen pants when caught on the second occasion.

The total value of the articles was \$77.

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Further Late News

ARAB ENVOYS LEAVING Start for L'don Parleys To-morrow

CAIRO, Jan. 22.

THE REPORT that the Palestine Arab delegates had decided not to go to London is denied by Dr. Husselini Khalidi, one of the delegates, who was formerly Mayor of Jerusalem.

He told "Reuter": "We are starting for London on Tuesday, and are hopeful of success."

Meanwhile Nouri Said, accompanied by Jemal Huddell left this morning by air for Beirut where, it is understood, he will endeavour to persuade the Grand Mufti to agree to the British Government's plan, including the Palestine parties, including the opposition, should be represented at the London conference.

It is understood that this desire was stressed in a communication from the London conference.—Reuter.

WOMAN GUEST AT EARL'S PARTY IS VICTIM OF "PERFECT ROBBERY"



Ending traditions of 60 years, New York City closed the Sixth Avenue Elevated structure and soon will tear it down. A new subway is being built under the avenue. Revellers thronged the last train to run, shown above, stripping it of movable parts for souvenirs.

LEGLESS DOCTOR'S DIARY OF PAIN

A LONDON surgeon who, after having his legs amputated wrote, for the benefit of his profession, an analysis of his 15 years of suffering, died at his home recently.

He was 72-year-old Mr. E. B. Waggett, of Cavendish Court, Wigmore Street, W., for many years consulting surgeon to the throat and ear department at Charing Cross Hospital.

In his "diary of pain," Mr. Waggett described how he regained happiness and efficiency after having his legs taken off above the knees.

He recorded his reactions to the "intolerable pain," which had compelled him to take this bold step. He classified three degrees of pain.

"TORTURE RACK"

Degree 1.—Possible to control all voluntary muscles, except those of the forehead; had to blink to prevent the whites of the eyes showing. Temples perspired freely.

Degree 2.—Comparable to the torture rack. The voice went to an uncontrollable falsetto. Tears flowed freely, but there was neither emotional nor muscular sense of weeping.

Degree 3.—No one could endure this degree for many minutes and remain conscious. The vocal cords do not act at all.

He remarked that after having relief for 10 minutes he found it impossible to re-create the pain in memory.

ALWAYS GAY

Sir Philip Gibbs, a close friend of Mr. Waggett, said: "He was the most wonderful example of courage I ever met. In spite of all his pain he was a man of the most extraordinary cheerfulness. He was always gay and light-hearted."

"When he sat at the table of the council of Charing Cross Hospital after his operation it was impossible to believe that anything was wrong with him. He was a very handsome and fine-looking man. His courage and cheerfulness abashed one."

Asthma Cause Killed in 24 Hours

Thanks to the discovery of an American physician, it is now possible to get rid of those terrible spells of choking, gasping, coughing and wheezing. Asthma by killing the true cause which is in the blood. No more burning of powders, no more by-stander injections. This new discovery, Mendace, starts to work in 3 minutes, killing the germ cause of Asthma, also purifying the blood and restoring vitality so that you can sleep soundly all night, eat anything and work and enjoy life. Mendace is so successful it is guaranteed to give you free, easy breathing in 24 hours and to stop your Asthma completely in 3 days or money back on return of empty package. Get Mendace from your chemist today. The guarantee protects you.

TOLEDO BUSY OIL PORT

Although no oil was handled through the port here 10 years ago, it is expected that 1938 shipments may top 1,000,000 tons. Last year, more than 1,000,531 tons of oil products were handled in and out by lake freighters.

A.R.P. Minister Promises Big Speed-Up

SIR John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Civil Defence, returned from holiday recently to defend the civil defence programme against the attacks which have been launched upon it during his absence abroad.

"We are," he declared, "working on the assumption that there is risk of war within a comparatively short time. But that does not mean we expect war." Deliveries of equipment for defence, originally planned for 1941, will now be substantially completed during 1939.

Coinciding with his statement the Ministry of Health announced that for the purposes of the A.R.P. evacuation scheme the country is to be divided into three groups:

A limited number of large, crowded areas from which evacuation is to take place.

"Neutral" areas, not to be evacuated or used for billeting.

Twenty of the biggest cities and towns are scheduled for evacuation and 300 boroughs and urban areas are "neutral" zones. The evacuation scheme, it is understood, extends to women, children, and workers in non-essential occupations.

Reception areas for refugees.

Firemen's Lack Of Equipment

Sir John Anderson in his statement disclosed details of policy and achievement under the following principal heads:

Evacuation.—All arrangements for transport, reception, and feeding are already complete. A scheme complete in every detail will soon be in his hands.

Recruiting.—The gap to be filled in the first line of civil defence is very small.

Air Raid Wardens.—Efforts are being made to create a "corporate sense" which will keep wardens enthusiastic after their training period.

Bomb-Proof Shelters.—Any application for grant by a local authority will be considered on its merits, even though a general policy has not been worked out.

Trenches.—Many authorities have already made their trenches complete. Others are waiting only for suitable weather conditions. Fire Brigade Equipment.—All deficiencies will shortly be overcome.

National Register.—A compulsory Register as such would be an absolutely useless instrument. The question of compulsory training, as a separate matter, has not been discussed.

SPEED-UP DECISION

"There is," Sir John Anderson said, "a good deal of fundamental misapprehension about civilian defence generally. Until last September the Department was working on plans which contemplated that preparations should be complete by a certain date."

"At the end of that month the Government made fresh decisions which involved a fundamentally different view of the problem—a great speeding up in enrolling and training

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volunteers and a planned system of evacuation.

"Civilian defence has been criticised, I think unfairly, in the Press. In regard to fire brigade organisation, for example, it was not until July, 1938, that the Home Office got administrative control over fire brigade organisation."

"Certain plans were put in hand by the Government and they were to be completed by 1941. Those plans included the provision of equipment to be held in reserve for dealing with fires that might result from aeroplane attacks."

Under that scheme 21,000 Fire Brigade units were to be supplied. When the emergency occurred last year the position was reviewed, and in the light of the crisis orders had to be telephoned and everything speeded up. It may now be anticipated that all orders for equipment will be substantially completed by the end of 1939, though we had envisaged 1941 as the date for completion. By the end of next week the number of units whose equipment has been actually ordered will be 17,000, including deliveries already made.

EVACUATION POSITION

"There is nothing that could be described as 'muddled'; there has been steady progress on an organized plan. There is no doubt whatever that the fire brigades will have all their equipment needs, that they will get all they require for training recruits."

"In regard to evacuation, our plans at one end are practically complete. All arrangements for transport are complete—at any rate in London, though there are still gaps in the Provinces."

During the crisis complete arrangements for looking after refugees could not be made in detail, but I shall soon be in possession of a complete scheme."

Turning to recruiting, Sir John said: "So far as civil defence is concerned, the gap which has to be filled before we have all the recruits we require to form our first line of civil defence is very small."

"But I do not propose to stop after the completion of the first line. I propose to carry on until we have a substantial reserve. We intend to continue and speed up the necessary training and have guaranteed that the local authorities shall be in a position to get all the equipment required."

WATERLOOED TRENCHES

"To suggest that there has been any significant falling off of recruits would be quite false."

"I have no doubt whatever that our arrangements will be complete towards the end of this month and when we have our handbook available we shall have all the recruits we require to complete the first line."

The campaign in regard to the unfinished trenches had, he suggested, been largely inspired by the dismal spectacle of waterlogged refugees in various parts of the country.

The Home Office had, however, reviewed the matter and drawn up its specifications. The matter was one for the local authorities, who had in many cases been subjected to enforced delays through abnormally bad weather.

POLICE at the Earl of Iveagh's country mansion at Thetford, Suffolk, are investigating a robbery which reads like a problem in a detective novel.

Jewels, furs, and cash valued at £1,200, the property of Lady O'Hagan, a guest, vanished within a period which has been narrowed down to two hours—and there is no trace of the house having been forcibly entered.

Windows were searched in vain for finger-prints; flowerbeds yielded no footprints.

Elveden Hall, the Earl's mansion, was the scene of one of his shooting parties during the week-end.

Other guests at the party were Lord and Lady Ellistley, Lord O'Hagan, the Hon. A. E. Guinness (the Earl of Iveagh's son), Sir Douglas Malcolm and Lady Malcolm, and the Countess Hochberg.

JEWEL CASE MISSING

After dinner Lady O'Hagan, who lives at Ickworth Lodge, near Bury St. Edmunds, went to her bedroom in the west wing of the house to leave her fox furs and noticed that her rough crocodile-skin dressing-case which contained her jewels and money was in place.

Two hours later, she again went to her bedroom and found furs and dressing-case gone.

The Earl of Iveagh telephoned the police, and Supt. Hammond, of the Newmarket division, West Suffolk, police, and other officers reached the hall in vain for a clue.

Supt. Hammond visited the hall, questioned members of the staff, and sought the help of members of the house party.

GATES OPENED

The watchman heard, nothing unusual, but another employee at the hall believes he heard a car travelling along the drive at about 2.30 a.m.

He expected it to stop at the main entrance gates, which he had closed, but it went on to the main road. On investigation the gates were found to be open.

At each corner of the hall the Earl of Iveagh has installed powerful floodlights as a precaution against burglary at night. These were switched on as usual.

The Earl said: "I have put the matter into the hands of the police, and do not want to hamper their inquiries."

Lady O'Hagan is the second wife of Lord O'Hagan, who for three years was a Lord-in-Waiting to King Edward VII. His first wife died in 1931.

Banker Victim Of Nazis Escapes, Surrenders To English Police

NAMES of important people in Germany were handed on a slip of paper to Mr. Dummett, Bow-street magistrate, recently, as those of friends of a German banker, aged thirty-nine, who had given himself up after being smuggled to British.

His name was given as Siegfried Simin Gemblecki. According to Mr. Maurice Abrahams, defending him, he still bears the marks of "terrible lashings" received during the last three years in German concentration camps. He is said to have been the financial adviser in Germany to a European royal family.

"Gemblecki has several influential friends in Germany, and they arranged for his escape," said Mr. Abrahams. "He was smuggled across the frontier in a car to Holland."

Gemblecki landed at the London docks from an unknown Rotterdam steamer at three a.m. on Tuesday with £50 in English money in his pockets. Accompanied by a lawyer, he gave himself up at Bow-street aliens department.

Mr. Abrahams went on: "Mr. Gemblecki was a banker living in Germany and an ex-serviceman who volunteered although under military age to fight for Germany. He was first arrested in 1935."

"I understand that for six months he was in prison, although no charge was actually made against him. At the end of that time he was released and, I have no doubt as a measure of confiscation, a fine of one and three-quarters million schillings (£270,000) was imposed."

"TORTURED"

"When he was released he was immediately seized by the secret police and taken to a very terrible concentration camp, and for the first six months he was tortured. I am told that he still bears the marks of the lashings he received there."

"He was put in an oil bath for two or three weeks, so terrible were the wounds inflicted."

"From then until November last he was in a camp at Dachau, the reputation of which is well known."

"After his release in November he moved about Germany, afraid to stay in one place."

"He heard that he was to be taken to a concentration camp for Jews which had a very bad reputation even among such camps."

"There is no question of Gemblecki being a public charge on this country. He has banking friends who are trying to arrange for his emigration to the United States."

Mr. Dummett listened to the story of Siegfried Gemblecki. Then he said:—

"If his story is accurate, and he is supported by reliable testimony, it will be easier for the court to know how to deal with him." He adjourned the case for further inquiries, and gave Gemblecki bail.



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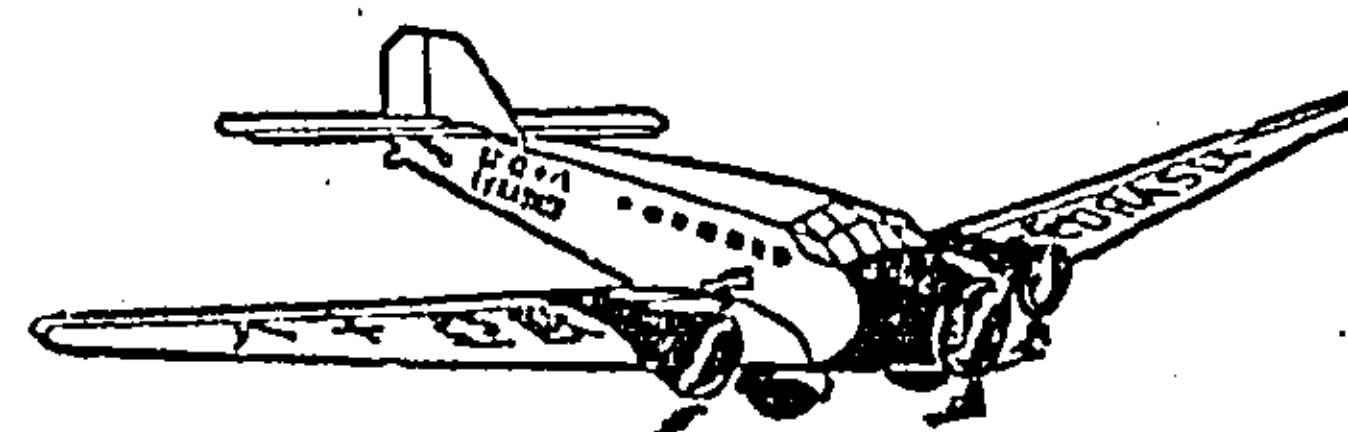
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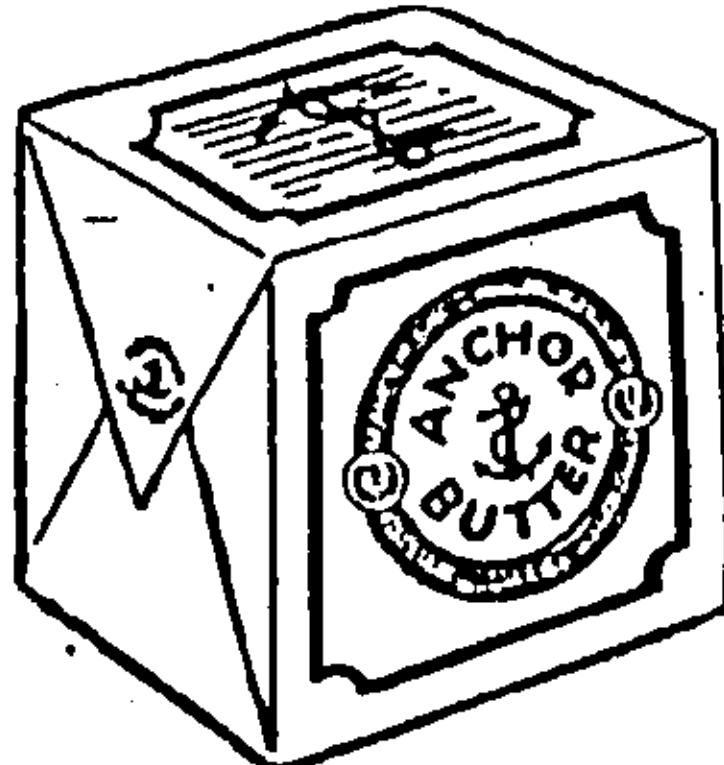
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MAN WITH SPLIT-MIND LIVED 'IN REVERSE'

War-Time Air Raids Did It

TWENTY-FIVE-YEARS-OLD Frederick Kendall, of Chaucer-road, Herne Hill, S.E., had dual personality—two minds, one of which was always undoing the work of the other.

Frederick Kendall, in fact, lived largely "in reverse." That was the result of war-time air raids when he was a child. It made him do queer things—things that he didn't want to do.

For instance, according to his father—

He did the opposite to what he was asked.

If requested to close a door he would do it—then open it. He would give presents to people, would take the back to give to someone else.

Recently Kendall was found unconscious in his bedroom with a length of gas piping from a jet running underneath the bed-clothes.

"MIND OF 12"

Experts stated at a Southwark inquest that Kendall's mind was equal to that of a child of 12.

The coroner, Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, recording a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind when suffering from dementia praecox, commented: "It has been said that crimes have been committed by persons suffering from this trouble without them really knowing what they have done—in other words, dual personality."

Mr. Eric Robinson, his brother-in-law, said: "As a child he lived in terror of air raids. Perhaps it was this fear that brought about his dual personality."

"Every night he locked his bedroom door."

"One of his peculiarities was his habit of following his mother all over the house. He was devoted to her, but his devotion seemed more like a dog's. He could not bear her out of his sight when he was at home."

"All through Christmas he acted perfectly normally, and we thought he had overcome this dream-like personality. Something must have happened to his mind."

HORROR OF DOCTORS

Mr. Robinson added that his brother-in-law had a horror of doctors, and would never go for treatment.

"To take the other side of his personality, he was a good workman, he used to come home regularly, and there was never any question of his losing his memory and wandering."

It is typical of a certain type of mental disease that the sufferer entirely lacks all sense of what action is appropriate at the moment because, owing to his split mind, he is less interested in the affairs of the ordinary world than in his private thoughts.

Club Has Sex Equality

Melbourne. A club of 100 members at Melbourne University has established sex equality by a provision prohibiting its male members from buying tickets for women at student entertainments and its women members from allowing their escorts to pay for them.

Punch To Jaw Breaks Ankle

Boston. During a fist-fight Lewis Thornhill, 33, was punched so hard on the chin that he suffered a fractured right ankle. He declined to name his assailant.

Links With Elizabeth, Ellen Terry

A FEW years ago it was feared that Tudor Cottage, Small Hythe, Kent—for the last 25 years of her life the home of Dame Ellen Terry—might be taken to the United States.

The interest in its preservation removes this danger and will, it is hoped, ensure the retention of the whole property as a memorial.

In addition to the delightful old house with its rose garden and big Elizabethan barn—annually serving as a theatre for memorial performances—there are cottages dating back to the reign of Henry VII.

TOLLGATE, TOO

With an old toll gate, the group of timbered dwellings in its rural setting represents a little piece of old England.

Miss Edith Craig, Dame Ellen's daughter, told how she had arranged an Ellen Terry Museum in the house—known to have been standing in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and now "quite a place of pilgrimage."

"In one room I have got together everything I could find in relation to the Terry family," she said. "In another the Elizabethan kitchen, with its great brick fireplace, are gifts received from Mrs. Siddons and Garrick."

"My mother's bedroom has been kept exactly as it was when she died."

£4,000,000 Cinema Deal

ODEON Theatres, Ltd., become the biggest cinema chain in Britain by the purchase from Odeon Cinema Holdings of a further 82 theatres, of which 66 are at present operated by Odeon Theatres under management agreements.

The announcement of this deal, made by Philip Hill and Partners recently, states that the capital amount involved exceeds £4,000,000. The finance of the project has been privately arranged by Philip Hill and Partners, and no public issue will be involved.

It is understood that Mr. Arthur Rank and Mr. Leslie Farrow are joining the Odeon Board.

The announcement also makes reference to the £30,000,000 deal between Odeon Theatres, Ltd., and the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, which has been in progress since October. It is stated:

"Odeon Theatres are proposing to make an offer to the Ordinary shareholders of the Gaumont-British Corporation and other negotiations are proceeding to acquire the holdings including the voting shares of the Odeon group."

"Examination of accounts and survey of properties will of necessity occupy some time, and it will not be possible to put forward a formal offer until towards the end of March or the beginning of April."

The Biggest Customer

BRITAIN bought £6,000,000 worth of "munitions," mainly military and civilian planes, from the United States last year. Britain was the largest purchaser. China spent £1,830,000 and France £1,300,000.

The figures are given in the annual report of the National Munitions Control Board.

BAN SUCCESSFUL

It is also revealed that the appeal by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to American aircraft manufacturers not to export planes or bombs to countries whose armed forces are accused of bombing civilian populations has been almost completely successful in preventing such American supplies reaching Japan.

Mr. Hull's appeal was issued on July 1, and since that date exports of aircraft to Japan have been negligible, although they totalled £1,800,000 in the first six months.

In Four-Leaf Clover

Ellington, Conn. If four-leaf clovers bring luck, Mrs. Leon Parker has enough to last a lifetime. She picked more than 400 of them during the summer months.

Wreszynski Spent £300,000 on Jewels, Kept Them in a Safe in Park Lane



A delightful photograph of Elva Rosemary, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Skinn, of Hongkong, who recently married Lieut. O. J. F. Lockwood, St. John R.N., at St. Anne's Church, Kew Green.

Egg 8 1/2 Inches Long

Berlin, N. Y. An over-size chicken's egg, eight and a half inches by eight inches, is being exhibited in science classes at the Berlin Central school. In addition to a double yolk, the huge egg also contained a second egg measuring six inches in circumference.

Afternoon Tea Praised

Montreal. Afternoon tea is a definite aid to health, Dr. I. M. Rabinowitch told the McGill Chemistry Society here. Dr. Rabinowitch said drinking of a cup of tea during the afternoon had a definite value in keeping the efficiency of the body high.



Secretary of State Cordell Hull, giving one of the keynote speeches at the Pan-American conference in Lima, Peru, declared an embargo on totalitarian theories, in behalf of the Western Hemisphere. His assertions were in accord with those of Jose Maria Cantillo, Argentine Foreign Minister. Above, Mr. Hull at the microphones.

WEST END jewellers were discussing recently the jewels which were once owned by Mr. Siegmund Wreszynski, the one-time Park-lane financier now awaiting trial on an accusation of fraud in an Amsterdam gaol.

Among the things they recalled were these:

In 1933-34 Wreszynski owned more than £300,000 worth of gems which he kept in a specially constructed spherical safe concreted into the wall of his home; in 1933 he bought, for £58,000, the famous Porter-Rhodes diamond.

They remembered, too, that Mr. Wreszynski was regarded as one of the leading connoisseurs of jewellery in Europe.

Mr. Wreszynski bought in Paris, in one go, more than £100,000 worth of jewellery a few years ago.

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The Porter-Rhodes diamond which he bought in 1933 was discovered in South Africa in 1880. After it reached England, Mr. Porter-Rhodes took it in a sealed envelope through a snowstorm in the early days of 1881 to show to Queen Victoria. It is recorded that she was "greatly fascinated by it."

Wreszynski bought it in Paris and Mrs. Wreszynski wore it as a ring. The diamond, when first discovered, weighed 150 carats in the rough. It became a polished one-inch stone weighing 50 carats. It is now in the possession of an Indian Maharajah.

This stone was only one of the many valuable gems Wreszynski bought for his wife. There was a perfect black pearl, weighing 82 grains, costing him £35,000 in Paris. It was set in a ring.

Mrs. Wreszynski had a black pearl necklace for which more than £24,000 was paid. There were 45 pearls in it, the largest weighing 56 grains. Each pearl was separated from the next by a flat faceted Rondelle diamond.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks, Ltd.	1,370 b.
H.K. Banking Corp.	82 n.
Chartered Bank	9 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 3/4 n.
Mercantile, C. & E.	13 n.
East Asia	88 n.

INSURANCES

Canton	210 n.
Union	468 n.
China Underwriters	70 s.
H.K. Fire	170 b.

SHIPPING

Douglas	61 sa.
Steamboats	18 sa.
Indo-China, P.	55 n.
Indo-China, D.	24 n.
Shell Bearer	74 1/2 n.
Waterboats	9 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	116 n.
Docks (old)	17 1/2 n.
Docks (new)	17 1/2 n.
Providents (old)	6 n.
Providents (new)	5 1/2 n.
New Eng. Sh.	5 1/2 n.
Shin. Docks	100 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	167 1/2 n.
Raubas s/-	35 n.
Venz Goldfield	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	7 1/2 n.
Antamols	49 sa.
Atoks	35 1/2 sa.
Bargu	28 sa.
Benquet Con.	13 1/2 sa.
Coco Grove	51 sa.
Con. Mines	60 1/2 sa.
Demonstration	24 1/2 sa.
I.X.L. Ps.	60 sa.
Gumais	21 sa.
San Manuile	18 sa.
Suyoe Consol.	21 sa.
Panamaes	73 sa.

LANDS

Hotels	6 1/2 s.
Lands	30 b.
Lands 4% deb.	107 1/2 n.
Shai Lands	8 1/2 n.
Humphreys	8 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities	5 1/2 n.
Chinese Estate	90 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	17 1/2 s.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	72 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old)	22 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	22 n.
China Light (cum. r/s)	9 1/2 n.
China Light (ex. right)	8 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric	57 1/2 n.
Mueno Electric	17 1/2 n.
Sandakan Light	10 1/2 sa.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	8 n.
Tranclons	25 n.
Singapore Pref. s/-	29 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald. Macg. (ord.)	14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pre.)	13 n.
Canton Ices	170 n.
Cement	10 1/2 n.
Ropes	4 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms	24 1/2 n.
Watsons	8 1/2 n.
Sane Crawford	8 n.
Sinceres	2 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	24 n.
Powell, Ltd.	90 n.

COTTON MILLS

Two Cotton (c.r.s.)	10 1/2 n.
Ewo Rts. H.K.S.	110 n.
Shai Cotton	98 n.
Zoong Sings	24 n.
Wing On Textiles	40 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainment	7 b.
Construction	13 n.
Vibro Piling	60 n.
Govt. 5% 1925	69 1/2 n.
Govt. 4% Loan	69 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% ex. int.	par.
Marsmans (Lond.)	18 1/2 n.
Kianmans (H.K.)	20 n.

INSURGENT VANGUARD NEAR CITY

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is at present being evacuated, the archives and furniture being sent to France. Diplomatic circles express the view that after the collapse of the Loyalist defence system at Igualada it will not be possible to save Barcelona.—Trans-Ocean.

MANY REFUGEES

Paris, Jan. 22. One hundred thousand men, chiefly peasants who had sought refuge in Madrid over a year ago, have now again been evacuated into the country, where they will be engaged in agricultural work.—Trans-Ocean.

BELGIAN VOLUNTEERS

Brussels, Jan. 22. Of the 6,000 volunteers of Belgian Nationality in the ranks of the Loyalist Spanish troops, not less than 3,000 have been killed according to the "Metropole." The paper states that so far only 500 volunteers have returned to Belgium and asks what has happened to the remaining 2,500. The paper ventures the guess that they were murdered, behind the fighting lines, by the Loyalists. The paper recalls that some time ago 83 volunteers who were considered "subversive" were sent into an arena in Albacete to "distribute cigarettes," and were moved down by machine gun fire.—Trans-Ocean.

ADVANCE ON BARCELONA

Lerida, Jan. 22. The Moroccan Corps under General Yague to-day continued the advance on the Torroja road to Barcelona, reaching Vallencia, a town where numerous and large arms factories are situated. In the north, insurgent brigades marched towards Igualada on the Vilfranca road, meeting but little resistance. Up to noon the advance of all troops averaged eight kilometres.—Trans-Ocean.

INSURGENT VICTORY ENVISAGED BY POWERS

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Stanholme, and the French vessel Charles Nerche being damaged by bombs.

Reports arriving here to-night state that the insurgents have landed on the Catalan coast near the city of Barcelona, and that several coastal towns have already been evacuated and prepared for defence. According to news from Perpignan, the French authorities are strengthening the frontier guards, several hundred mobile guards having been rushed to Prades and Ceret. Garrisons are also being prepared on the frontier for infantry on the 16th Corps Area, and troops will be sent there should the situation become serious as a result of the expected flood of refugees.—Trans-Ocean.

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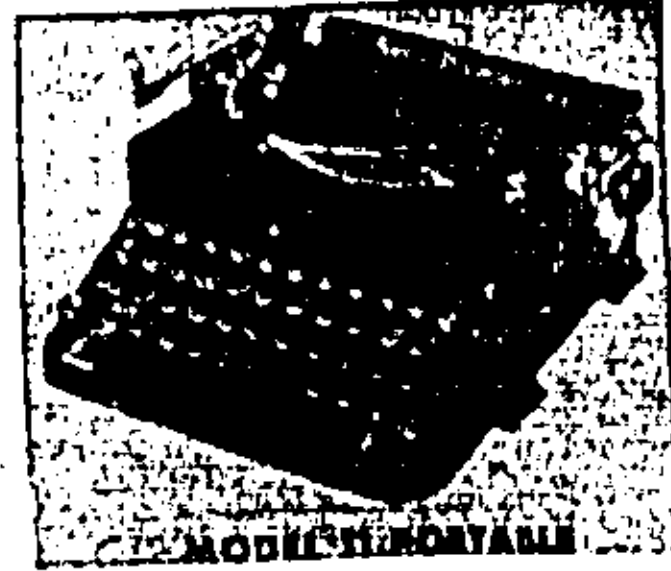
Washington, Jan. 22. Mr. Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of State, has sent a letter to Mr. Cordell Hull urging the lifting of embargo on arms to Spain. The letter has not been published, but the "New York Times" understands that the opinion is expressed that the embargo is most unjust, and is not what the American people and Congress intended.—Reuter.

Assassination Attempt In Shai

Chungking, Jan. 22. A new shooting incident took place in Shanghai yesterday afternoon, according to a Shanghai dispatch. Four unidentified men broke into the house of Chen Nint-chao, a merchant, in the French Concession. One of them whipped out a revolver and fired at him. He was hit in the stomach by a bullet. All the men escaped. The motive of the shooting is yet unknown, but it is alleged that Chen has recently bought a large quantity of Japanese goods.—Central News.

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APPEAL ON BEHALF OF CHINA

GENEVA, Jan. 20.

LORD CECIL, in his capacity as chairman of the International Peace Campaign, issued an appeal to-day on behalf of China for international assistance in her war of resistance against Japanese aggression. Lord Cecil's appeal was issued in respect of the League Council's resolution on the China question.

Local Cecil urged closer co-operation between the member states of the League in lending aid to China to enable her win the war. He also appealed to international public opinion to uphold China's cause and to condemn Japanese aggression.

Lord Cecil pointed out that China is not only fighting for her own national sovereignty, but is also waging a war to safeguard international law and order and world justice and righteousness.

APPEAL TO DEMOCRACY

Lord Cecil appealed for the co-operation of Great Britain, France, and the U.S.S.R., the three most important Powers in the League, and the United States, to ensure that whatever promises given China are carried out in parallel and simultaneous actions, including moral and financial assistance.

Lord Cecil stated that although the United States is not a member state of the League, her signature in the Nine Power Pact and her deep interest in the Far East call for joint action with the major League Powers in regard to offering aid to China.

Lord Cecil applauded the financial aid Great Britain and the United States are extending to China, and hoped that similar assistance will be forthcoming from other nations. He also hoped that these nations can also help China in the export of arms and munitions to Japan and also the import of Japanese goods to their own countries.—Central News.

GUERRILLA FORCE NEAR SHANGHAI

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place of Chinese guerrillas. When they reached the foot of Mingshan, near Chuling, they were waylaid by the mobile fighters and suffered heavy losses during the fighting.

Reinforced by 300 troops, the Japanese staged a counter-attack on the Chinese the following day. The Chinese offered strong resistance, challenging the invaders to hand-to-hand combat several times. The Japanese were finally defeated, leaving scores of dead bodies and a large quantity of military supplies behind.

The railway track between Shao and Maubaling along the Kiangnan-Nanchang line has been damaged by the guerrillas.—Central News.

SURROUND CHEKIANG TOWN

Kinhwa, Jan. 23. Chinese forces are encircling Changshing, on the west bank of the Taihu Lake in northern Chekiang, according to reports just to hand.

They have also cut the land and water communications between Changshing and Wuhing, well-known silk producing town south-east of Changshing.—Central News.

University Faculty Present Shaw Play

The Great Hall of the Hongkong University was filled to capacity on Saturday night, when the Faculty of Arts students presented George Bernard Shaw's delightful play, "You Never Can Tell," the proceeds of which are to be donated to the China Medical Relief Association.

The production was in the capable hands of Mr. K. W. Salter, while Messrs. H. L. MacKenzie and Hung Kai-chiu acted as Stage-Managers, and Messrs. Edmund Sun and Cheng Tung-choy handled the business side. The cast was as follows:

Mr. Valentine Mr. Leslie Sung
Dorothy Clendon Miss Josephine Chao
Mrs. Lanfry Clendon Miss Yu Hing-kwan
Philip Clendon Mr. Lim Kee-yao
Fergus Clendon Mr. Wu Hui-tak
Finch MacConnaught Mr. Yu Shuk-ai
William the Waiter Mr. Oswald Cheung
Second Waiter Miss Marjorie Lee
Mr. Johnson Mr. Ouy Jau-hong
Gloria Clendon Miss Rose Pau

Malaria Rampant In Fukien

Foochow, Jan. 22. Malaria is rampant in southeastern Fukien. There are about 10,000 sufferers at Anki, 12,000 at Tehwa, 60,000 at Tsankiang, and 50,000 at Putien.—Central News.

NO A. D. C. SHOW

It is announced that owing to unforeseen circumstances, the Committee of the Amateur Dramatic Club have reluctantly been compelled to cancel the production of "The Killers of the Count," which had been planned for February 8-11. It is hoped, however, that the Club will produce another play later, in March or April.

DRAMATIC STORY OF RESCUES IN MID-ATLANTIC

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ed of the ordeal of clinging to their lifeboats slipped into the sea. The rescue of the other ten survivors climaxed a 10 hours of frantic struggle by the survivors to remain afloat in the heavy seas, who at the same time had to spend their waning strength crying for assistance.

Once the five men and five women watched helplessly the passage of a potential rescuer whose attention they were unable to attract. As lights appeared the survivors summoned all their efforts and shouted and screamed as loud as possible. Two men detached themselves from the group and swam towards the ship, while lights raked the darkness and the sea, yet failing to touch the survivors, after which the vessel disappeared.

But the next approaching ship was the Baytown, and the survivors' cries in the darkest of the night were heard, resulting in boats being lowered and the survivors rescued.

PILOT IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Radio messages from the Baytown indicate that at least Captain Alderson is in a critical condition. The Baytown is racing into a storm and the northern gale is increasing in intensity, which is expected to delay the arrival of the vessel in New York until 10 a.m. on Monday.

Several of the Baytown crew are also suffering from exposure and injuries. It is revealed that one of the lifeboats overturned and that it was necessary to lower another one in order to rescue the men. The rescue of the Cavalier survivors was effected in the nick of time.—United Press.

SEARCH CONTINUED

New York, Jan. 22. Plans are being pushed ahead for the intensification of a search at dawn for the Imperial Airways flyingboat, Cavalier, which sank in the Atlantic.

The U. S. Navy's dirigible K-2, and nine Army flying-foxes, as well as a large Navy plane are preparing to go to the scene of the disaster. Nine coastguard cutters and a Navy gunboat are joining craft already searching the seas.

It is reported that the pleasure cruisers, Monarch, Bermuda and Queen Bermuda, and the steamer Port Washington are in the vicinity. The area to be combed extends for 500 miles.

A coastguard plane returned after an unavailing search in very clear visibility over the area where the Cavalier reported she was landing. Miami reports that Imperial Airways were in communication with the Cavalier at 2.10 a.m. G.M.T., are denied.—Reuter.

THREE MISSING

New York, Jan. 22. Of the 13 passengers and members of the crew of the Imperial Airways flying boat Cavalier which made a forced landing in the sea 250 miles east of Ocean City, Maryland, on Saturday, ten have been rescued by the tanker, Esso Baytown, according to messages received here on Sunday.

Two American passengers and an English steward have not yet been found, and there is little hope of rescuing them.

All those fished from the sea were in a state of complete exhaustion, and it is feared that some of them may not survive.

The American destroyer Etie arrived at the scene to-day and has sent a doctor to the tanker. The air-liner apparently sank shortly after touching the water, because those rescued were floating in lifeboats.—Trans-Ocean.

Country House Destroyed By Fire

Greystones, Old Shoreham, Sussex was burnt down in two hours on December 21, when fire broke out in the roof, as a result of an electric heater being put up in the roof to thaw frozen water pipes. Telephone lines were out of action and the brigade did not arrive until the top story was well alight. Two women servants jumped 15ft. to safety, and an auxiliary fireman was shaken when the roof of the kitchen fell in. Quantities of furniture and valuables were removed by police officers, auxiliary firemen and volunteers.

Fair To Post News

San Francisco. From an 8x10-foot cinema screen world-wide news bulletins will be flashed hourly at the Christian Science Monitor Building throughout the entire duration of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

TALK TO Y'S MEN

Mr. Percy Chen will speak on the "Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre" at the next meeting of the Hongkong Y's Men's Club to be held at the St. Francis Hotel on Thursday, January 20, at 1 p.m.

Miss Leung Sheng-chi has been appointed to be a member of the Nurses Board for a period of three years, with effect from December 10, 1938, vice Mrs. Wong Chow, resigning.

Key Pittman Warns United States

Washington, Jan. 22.

Senator Key Pittman, supporting the Administration's armament programme in the course of a wireless debate to-night, contended that the United States faced the danger of foreign invasion, and said that Herr Hitler's ambition was "never to be satisfied" while the ambition and fixed policy of the Japanese militarists was to dominate all the Eastern Asia Islands and the Western Pacific.

The Republican Senator Taft, whose party, it was announced, had appointed a committee of eleven to examine the arms programme, admitted that President Roosevelt's demands were not excessive, but asserted that the President had given indications of being in favour of a foreign policy "very different from the mere defence of the United States, and one which, in the end, will require much greater armament."—Reuter.

Big Drop In U.S. Cotton Exports

New York, Jan. 22. According to the Department of Commerce, the 1938 cotton exports were 1,316,000 bales, valued at \$224,300,000, compared with 5,783,360 bales in 1937.

Exports to Britain declined by 47 per cent, to Germany by 60 per cent, and to France by 38 per cent.

A Washington report says that the United States has already sounded out Brazil on the proposed cotton conference, and Brazilians are stated to be willing to participate.

The conference idea was also discussed informally with representatives of Egypt and India. The Egyptian reception is said to have been favourable, while India is reported to be cool towards the suggestion.—Reuter Special.

Deadlock Persists In Tientsin

Chungking, Jan. 23. The conversation between the British and French Concessions and the Japanese authorities at Tientsin concerning the "blockade" enforced by the latter remained deadlocked during the week-end, according to a message from Tientsin.

Despite the inconveniences caused by the Japanese, so far no acute food problem has arisen in the Concessions and the authorities expect to be able to "carry on" for some time to come.

All people entering and leaving the Concessions are subject to strict search by the Japanese as before.—Central News.

Gibraltar Black Out For Manoeuvres

Gibraltar, Jan. 22. The whole of Gibraltar is in darkness for the defensive exercises which, as nearly as possible, reproduce war-time conditions.

The home fleet and fortress defences are participating.

Civil and special police are patrolling the town, and traffic has been brought to a standstill. The majority of businesses have been closed.—Reuter Special.

Egyptian Officers Go On Strike

Cairo, Jan. 22. Officers of the Egyptian army have gone on strike because the Government has announced its intention of reducing their salaries.

War Minister Sabry, who opposed the Government move, has had to resign, and the officers have sent a delegation to the new War Minister, Siyyid Pasha, to inform him that they will not resume their duties until they have received assurances that their salaries will not be reduced.—Trans-Ocean.

Japanese Warships Mass Off Pakhoi

Kwellin, Jan. 23. The number of Japanese naval vessels near Welchow Island off Pakhoi in the Gulf of Tonkin has been increased to thirteen yesterday. They include an aircraft carrier and a destroyer.—Central News.

C.B.S. DANCE NEXT MONTH

The dance for former pupils of the Central British School will be held in the School Hall on Saturday, February 11, from 9 p.m. as advertised. Tickets are \$1.50 including light refreshments.

Information regarding the dance can be obtained from Miss M. Hoop, Lieutenant John Watson to be a School, Miss L. Woolley, c/o Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, and Mr. P. Wilson, c/o Dodwell and Co.

His Excellency the Governor has approved the promotions of Second Lieutenant John Watson to be a Lieutenant and Second Lieutenant George Frederick Rees to be a Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

POST OFFICE.

MAIL FOR CANTON
Registered and ordinary mails (not insured or parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched at circumstances permit.

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OUTWARD MAIL TIMES
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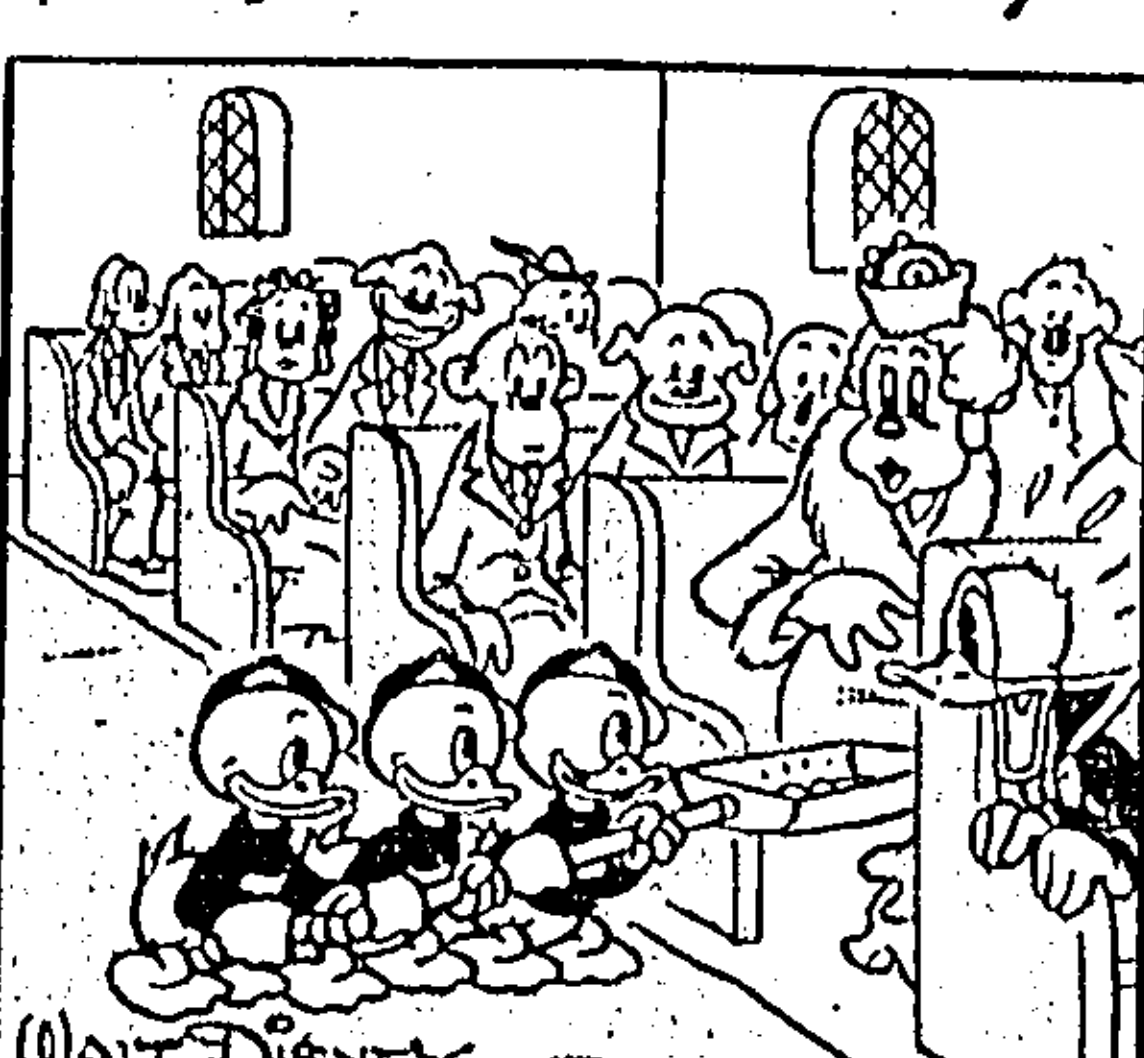
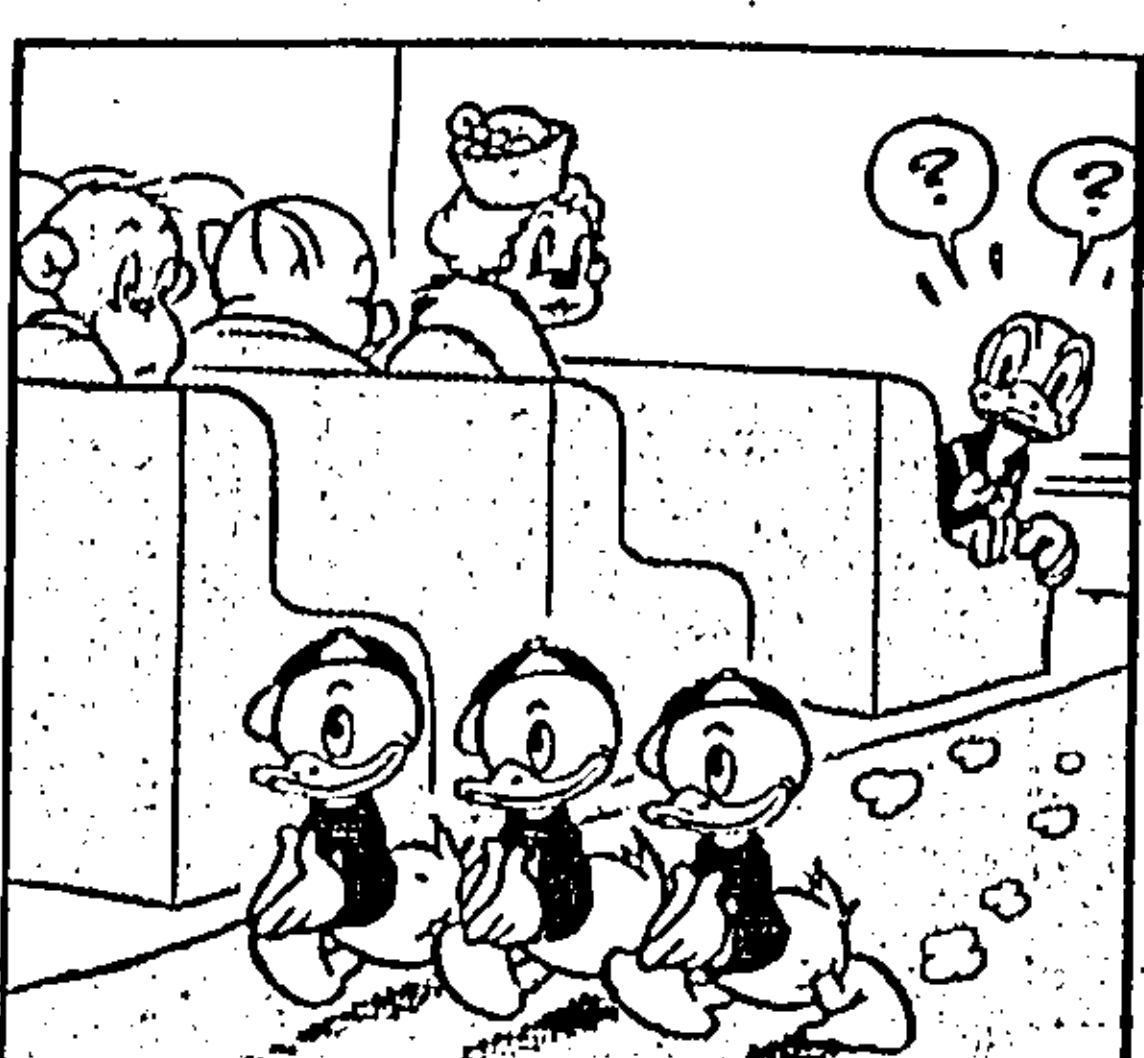
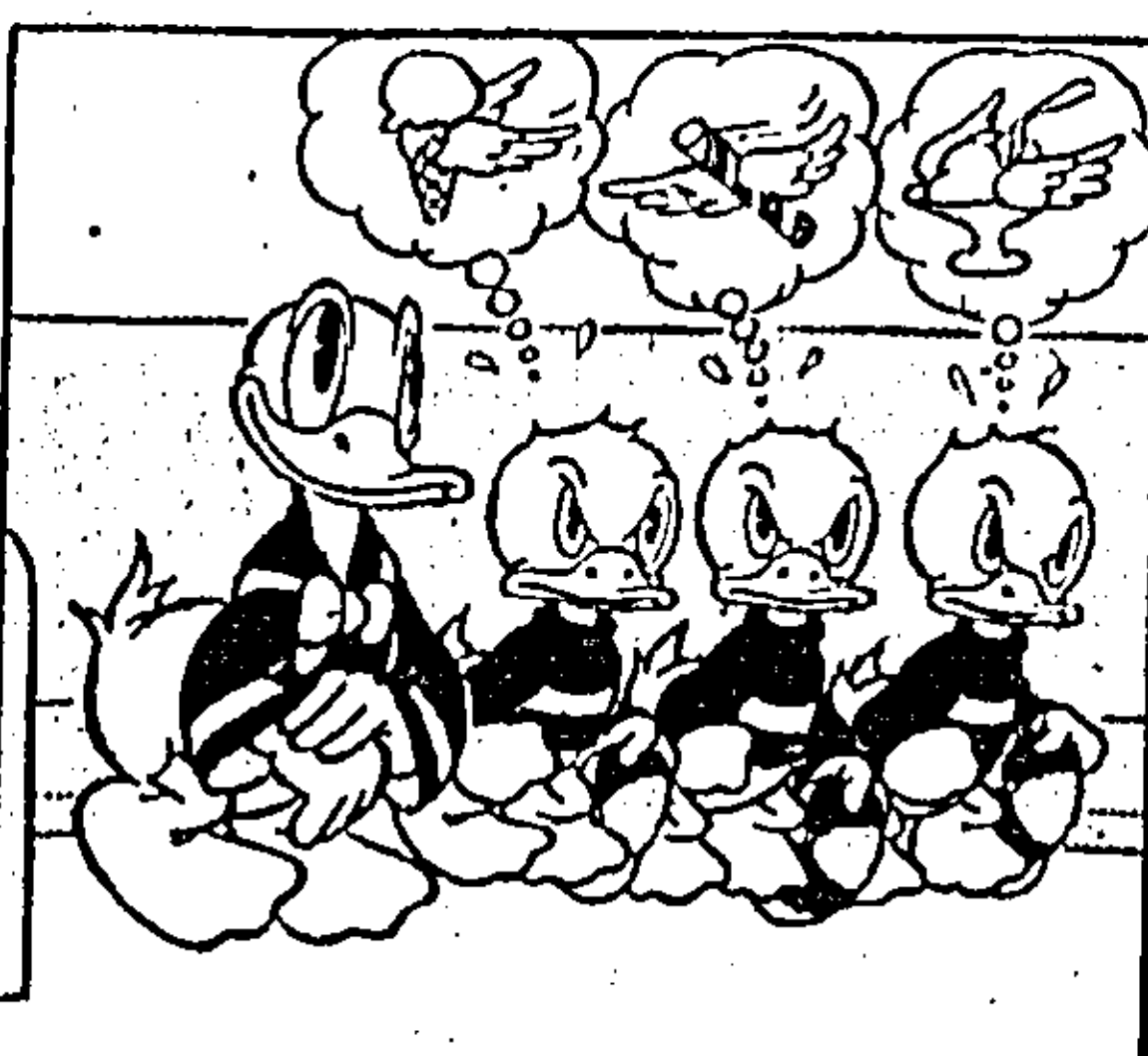
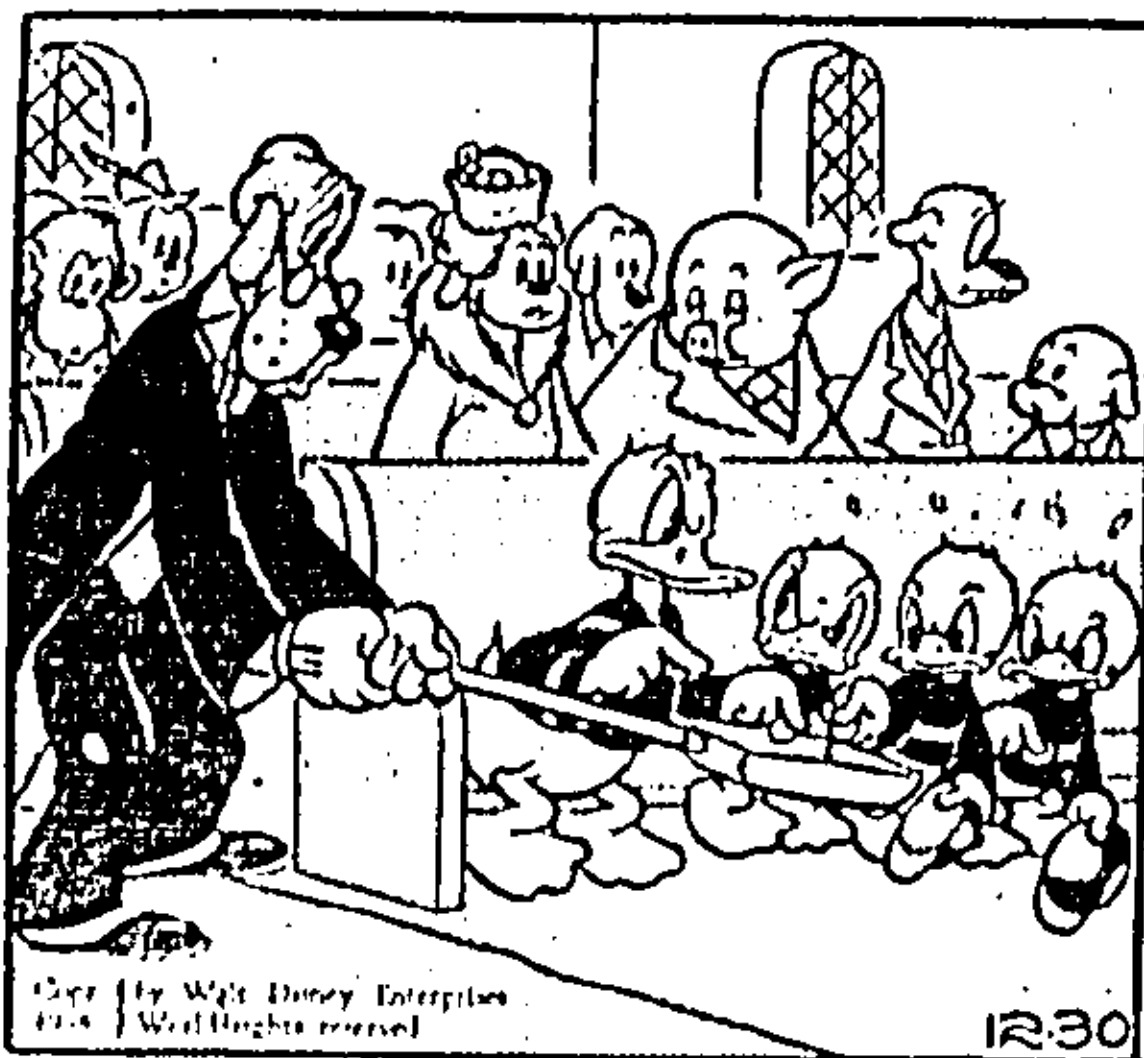
MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangai, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Java and Manila	Tjinegara	January 23
Shanghai	Agamemnon	January 24
Saiton	Felix Roussel	January 24
Bangkok and Hoihow	Kaligan	January 24
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco	Pan American Airways Plane	January 24
date, 15th January	Van Heutz	January 24
Straits	Gneisenau	January 25
Manilla		
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, Imperial	Airways Plane	January 25
18th January	Kilano Maru	January 25
Japan	Perseus	January 25
Straits	Shirada	January 25
Japan	Hochov	January 25
Tientsin and Swatow	Roseville	January 25
Manilla	Tegelberg	January 25
Shanghai	Toyama Maru	January 25
Straits	Bhutan	January 25
Japan and Shanghai	Canton	January 25
Haiphong	Conte Verde	January 25
Straits		
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 7th January)	Emp. of Canada	January 25
Japan and Shanghai	Haruna Maru	January 25
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st January	Imperial Airways Plane	January 25
Manilla	Pres. Pierce	January 25
Java	Tjisaroa	January 25
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	January 25
Straits	Eumaeus	January 25
Straits	Patroclus	January 25
Calcutta and Straits	Suisung	January 25

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BANK MEETING Scheme Of Arrangement For Court Sanction

Meetings of creditors, "A" Preference, "B" Preference and Ordinary shareholders, of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd., were held at the Bank on Saturday, when a scheme of arrangement for the carrying on of the business was approved for submission to the Supreme Court.

Mr. Choy Hing, appointed by the Supreme Court, was Chairman at the four separate meetings which were held during the morning, an identical agenda being observed at each.

Messrs. Lo and Lo were present as solicitors for the Bank.

The Chairman said the Bank was registered in November, 1921, with a capital of \$2,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each, all of which were fully paid up in two years.

In February, 1934, the Bank increased its capital to \$5,000,000 and 57,410 new shares of \$10 each were paid up. At that time the total paid up capital of the bank was \$2,574,100. During the first year deposits of the Bank amounted to \$1,000,000, but later that figure increased to \$10,000,000 and the Bank was enabled to establish branches in Shanghai, Canton, Hankow and Tientsin. In November 1934, the deposits in the current and savings accounts were over \$7,000,000. During the 13 years of the Bank's establishment, the total profit exclusive of all expenditure was \$2,500,000 enabling interest of 7 per cent. to be paid to the depositors.

Two Banks Closed

In 1933, the Bank received a heavy blow when two banking houses in Hongkong were closed, the first on January 4 and the second on September 4, creating uneasiness among the depositors of the National Commercial and Savings Bank, which led to considerable withdrawals of deposits.

The total amount withdrawn in that year was \$3,400,000. In January the amount withdrawn was \$1,500,000 and in twelve days in September \$1,300,000 was taken out by depositors. It became more difficult to meet the demands of continued withdrawals.

The property of the bank was mortgaged to meet the demand for cash. The Directors were compelled to stop withdrawals, and the doors of the Bank were closed on September 10, 1935.

The Bank had enough properties to pay off all its commitments if they were sold, but this process would take the liquidators a long time, since a rapid sale would fetch less money than the properties were worth. The Directors were against closing the Bank, being of the opinion that if business was resumed they would be

able to dispose of their properties more advantageously.

The Chairman then outlined the scheme of arrangement which is given below.

Scheme of Arrangement

1. That the share capital of the Bank, namely \$5,000,000 divided into 500,000 fully paid up shares of \$10 each and 40,240 unissued like "A" preference shares of \$10 each, 12,040 fully paid up "B" preference shares of \$10 each and 30,544 unissued like "B" preference shares of \$10 each, be reduced to \$1,023,000 divided into 10,230 fully paid up "A" preference shares of \$10 each and 40,240 unissued like "A" preference shares of \$10 each, 12,040 fully paid up "B" preference shares of \$10 each and 30,544 unissued like "B" preference shares of \$10 each, and that such reduction shall be effected:

(a) By cancelling the sum of \$3 per share on the said 12,040 issued "B" preference shares of \$10 each as being lost or unrepresented by available assets, and by reducing the nominal amount of the said shares to \$7 per share; and

(b) By cancelling the sum of \$3 per share on the said 27,410 issued ordinary shares of \$10 each as being lost or unrepresented by available assets, and by reducing the nominal amount of the said shares to \$7 per share.

Confirmation of Court

2. That upon the said reduction of capital being confirmed by the Court and becoming operative:

(a) The 40,240 unissued "A" preference shares of \$10 each shall be divided into 40,240 shares of \$1 each and such \$1 shares shall be recorded as forming part of the Bank's ordinary shares.

(b) The 30,544 unissued "B" preference shares of \$10 each shall be divided into 30,544 shares of \$1 each and such \$1 shares shall be recorded as forming part of the Bank's ordinary shares.

(c) The 10,230 "A" preference shares of \$10 each shall be subdivided into 102,300 "A" preference shares of \$1 each, and that the 12,040 "B" preference shares of \$10 each shall be subdivided into 120,400 "B" preference shares of \$1 each.

(d) The existing rights and privileges attached to the said 102,300 "A" preference shares of \$1 each, the

700,230 "B" preference shares of \$1 each and to the 27,410 ordinary shares of \$1 each resulting from the said reduction shall be varied by the amalgamation (as from and after July 1, 1939) of the said "A" preference shares, "B" preference shares, ordinary shares and the ordinary shares into one class of ordinary shares and the rights or privileges attached to the shares of those respective classes shall be extinguished and the holders of the said ordinary shares shall be regarded as forming one class of ordinary shareholders of the Bank for the purpose of dividend and return of capital and cutting the holders thereof on a poll to one vote for every \$1 in nominal value of such shares held by them respectively and that all such shares be henceforth termed ordinary shares.

Offer to Holders

(c) The holders of the said "A" preference shares and the holders of the said "B" preference shares shall respectively be given and accepted in satisfaction and discharge of their respective rights to all arrears of the cumulative preferential dividend whether declared or not, on such "A" preference shares and "B" preference shares in respect of the years ending December 31, 1936, and December 31, 1937 and in respect of the six months ending June 30, 1938, funded certificates equal in amount to the amount of the preferential dividend due on the said "A" preference shares and the said "B" preference shares calculated to June 30, 1938, held by them respectively, such certificates not to bear any interest as against the Bank, payable out of the surplus profits remaining in the year 1938, and in every subsequent year, after providing for the interest on the ordinary shares of the Bank not exceeding the rate of six per cent. per annum, the Bank to be at liberty at any time to redeem such certificates or any of them out of the profits; and in case the whole of such certificates are not redeemed by 1943, the Bank shall set aside out of the surplus profits remaining after payment of the interest on the ordinary shares of the Bank in the year 1943 and in every subsequent year, an amount not ex-

ceeding \$10,000 in each year so far as the profits extend to be applied in redeeming the certificates for the time being outstanding.

(d) The Bank shall be increased to its former amount of \$5,000,000 by the creation of an additional 3,076,230 ordinary shares of \$1 each.

Sanction of Court

3. That Clause 6 (b) and (c) of the scheme of arrangement duly sanctioned by the Court on January 11, 1936 (hereinafter referred to as "the first scheme of arrangement") relating to the payment of the instalments to the creditors of the Bank be altered by substituting the word "twelve" instead of the word "six" whenever appearing and the said Clause 6 (b) and (c) shall henceforth be read and construed as if the words "twelve months" had been originally inserted therein.

4. That Clause 3 (a) of the first scheme of arrangement be deleted and the following provisions be substituted:

(a) Before recommending any dividend, the net profits of the Bank in every year, after deduction of all expenses and disbursements shall be applied in the first instance in or towards the payment of interest upon the capital of the Bank at the rate of six per cent. per annum or at such rate as the Board shall think fit.

5. That Clause 11 (a) and (b) of the first scheme of arrangement be deleted and the following provisions be substituted:

(a) The qualification of a director shall be the holding of 3,000 shares in the Bank.

(b) Unless otherwise determined by a general meeting of the members of the Board, the number of the members of the Board shall not exceed fifteen or be less than nine.

6. That the holders of the said "A" preference shares, the holders of the said "B" preference shares and the holders of the said ordinary shares shall accept the provisions herein contained in satisfaction of their existing rights with respect of their preference and ordinary shares.

7. That the special resolutions in the terms of clauses 1 and 2 hereof shall be conditional on this scheme of arrangement being adopted by the Bank and its members holding ordinary shares and between the Bank and its members holding ordinary shares being adopted under Section 22 of the Companies Ordinance 1932 for giving effect to the provisions of the said special resolutions.

8. That the Bank's articles of association shall be regarded as modified accordingly.

9. That the Bank may assent to any modification in this scheme of arrangement which the Court may think fit to approve or impose.



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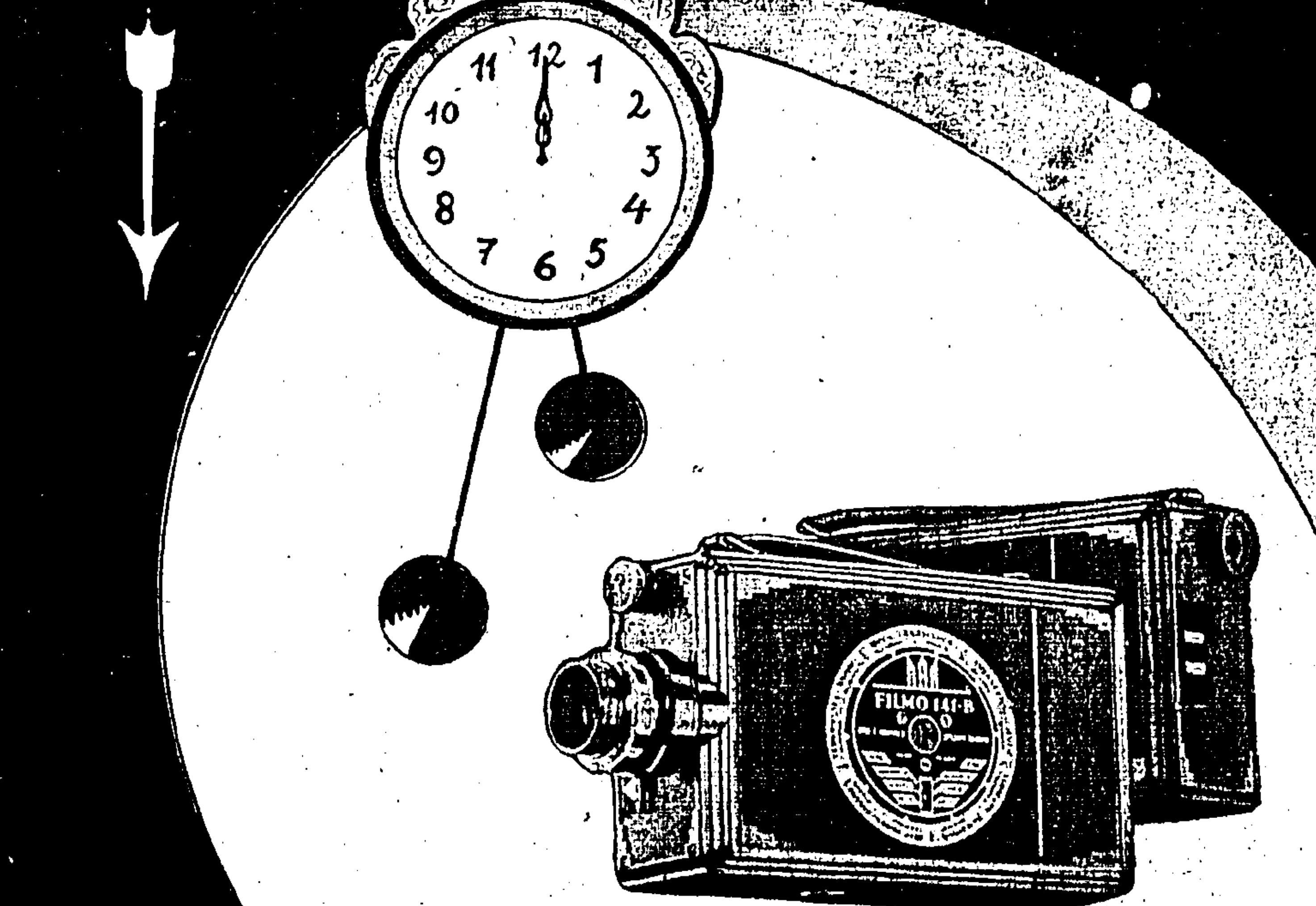
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12.0-12.20 p.m. Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 The Street Singer and Jack Jackson's Orchestra.

Sailing Home With 'The Tide-Waltz'; In A Little English Inn—Fox-Trot... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Old Sailor (Godfrey, Kennedy)... The Street Singer with Instrumental Accompaniment; Just As Long As The World Goes 'Round And Round—Fox-Trot; He Kissed Maggie, Maggie Kissed Him Back—Fox-Trot... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Lovely To Look At (Film Refrain); Love Me Forever (Film Refrain); On Wings of Song... The Street Singer (Vocal), with Violin, Accordion and Celeste Accompaniment; Valparaiso—Rumba (Film Refrain); Love's Just A Melody—Fox-Trot... Jack Jackson and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 A Schubert Song by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

A Dream of Spring ("Winterreise"—Schubert, Op. 89, No. 11)... with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore.

1.07 Schubert—Symphony No. 8 in B Minor (The "Unfinished" Symphony).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

1.30 Router and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Variety and Dance Music.

Dance Orch.—Ride, Tenderfoot, Ride—Fox-Trot (from Romance and Rhythm); Change Partners—Fox-Trot (from "Carefree")... Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; Vocal—Chanson De Halage (Lenoir and Claude); La Guinguette A Ferme Ses Volets (Zwingel)... Dania with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Tango; Lullaby—Lullaby; T'Almer—Tango... Mario Meli and His Argentinian Orchestra with vocal refrain; Comedy Sketch—Sandy, The All-In Wrestler (Powell, Thompson); Sandy Powell (Comedian); Vocal—Sunny Side Of Things (Film "Breaking The Ice"); Happy An A Lark... Bobby Breen with Victor Young and His Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Smoke Gets In Your Eyes—Fox-Trot; Night And Day—Fox-Trot... Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 For The Children.

New Nursery Tunes For Old Nursery Rhymes (Saunders, arr. Kester); Intro: Deedle, deedle dumpling; Little Miss Muffet; There was an owl; I had a little nut tree; Mulberry Bush; etc. Vocal—Uncle Wiggly; Uncle Peter's Children's Party... Peter Dawson (Vocal) with Orch.; Studio—Serial Story; Songs Of The Sandman... Wilfrid Thomas (Baritone) with Piano accomp.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Lullaby In Rhythm; Out Of Nowhere... Harry James and His Orchestra; Quick-Steps—I'm Gonna Lock My Heart; There Goes My Affection... Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody; Fox-Trots—Ten Easy Lessons; Small Fry (Film "Sing, Singers")... Adrian Rollini Quintet (Featuring The Tune Twisters); Waltz—Tu-Li-Tulp Time;

Fox-Trot—Beside A Moonlit Stream... Horace Heidt and His Alcantara; Brigadiers with vocal chorus; Selection—Alexander's Ragtime Band... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Tangos—Arroyito; Chagrin D'Amour... A. J. Pesenti and His Tango Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Fox-Trots—The Moonest Thing You Ever Did; Was Kiss Me; I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart... Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

7.15 Variety with The Mills Brothers, Dorothy Lamour, Max Miller and others.

Vocal—Time On My Hands (Gordon and Youmans); Thrill The Courtesy Of Love (Film "Voice of Scandal")... Denny Dennis with Orchestra; Orch.—Poor Butterfly (Golden and Hubbell); Sweet Sue, Just You (Harris and Young)... The Dixie Devils with Vocal Chorus; The Moon—Spanish Quick Step Medley; Military Fox-Trot Medley... The Keyboarders with Drums; Vocal—On A Tropic Night (Film "Tropic Holiday"); Panamanian (Film "Swing High, Swing Low")... Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Comedian—Confessions Of A Cheeky Chappy (Miller)... Max Miller; Banjo—La Vivandiere (Kirby); Dance (Kirby)... Ernest Jones with Leslie Bartlett at the Piano; Vocal—My Headache... The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar); Some Of These Days (Brooks); Tiger Rag (La Rocca)... The Mills Brothers.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Light Opera Selections.

"Monsieur Beaucaire"—Vocal Gems (Messager)... Light Opera Company with Orchestra; "The Cousin From Nowhere"—Operetta In Brief (Kunze-Marschalek)... Margaret Sloan (Soprano) and Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) with Chorus and Orchestra from the Berlin State Opera (Sung in German); "The Miracle"—Selection (Humperdinck)... London Symphony Orchestra with Organ and Chorus; "The Three Musketeers"—Vocal Gems... Victor Light Opera Company.

8.25 Tchaikowsky—The Swan Lake-Ballet Music.

London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dorati.

8.55 Studio—"Spelling Bee"—3: Oxford v. Cambridge.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

O Mia Bella Napoli (from "Venus in Silk"); Sweet Compliments (from "Venus in Silk")... with Orchestra (Sung in German); Calming Of The Tempest (Durrner-Falk)... with Chorus and Orchestra (Sung in German).

10.0 London Relay—"In Town Tonight".

Introducing personalities from every walk of life in interviews with Lionel Gamlin, flashes from the news of the week, and Standing on the Corner (Michael Standing interviews the man in the Street); Edited and produced by C. F. Mehan.

10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—I'm An Old Cowhand (from "Rhythm on the Range"); Empty Saddles (from "Rhythm on the Range")... Ambrose and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus; Paso-Doble—Go-Round Broke Down... The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Vocal Chorus; Fox-Trots—Wah-Hoo; I'Se A Muggin'... Roy Fox and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—Alice Blue Gown; Rumba—Flower of my dreams... Henry Jacques and His Orchestra; Tango—Madreita De Dumpeya; Mi Musa Campera... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

11.0 Close down.



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What Next?

IT is difficult to keep pace with the map of Europe these days. Last year we saw Austria absorbed by Germany; the Reich, Poland and Hungary helped themselves to chunks of Czechoslovakia; and a further slice of Spanish territory has been bitten off by the Fascist rebels. More recently there has been agitation in Italy for Nice, Corsica and Tunis; now comes a clamour for Ukrainian autonomy and the cession of Memel to Germany. It is uncertain, however, how far the present agitations are to be taken at their face value.

No doubt the Duce will not refuse Nice, Corsica and Tunis if he finds he can have them for the asking; but it is more probable that, by making these impudent and impossible demands, he hopes to get belligerent rights for Franco, a share in the Suez Canal and control of the Djibouti railway.

The Ukraine

GERMANY, it is equally probable, secured autonomy for Ruthenia under the new name of Carpatho-Ukraine so that it might be used as the spearhead of an advance, if the time came, into the Polish and Russian Ukraine; but there is little need to suppose that Germany is planning immediate expansion in that direction.

The fact seems to be that both Germany and Italy are searching round Europe for the lines of least resistance. When they have found them, they will strike.

It is therefore important that the totalitarian Powers should be convinced that the line of least resistance is not to be found in the British and French democracies. In both countries there is needed a reassertion of the national will. Superficially the dictatorships may appear to be having things all their own way, but actually their imposing facade hides many and growing weaknesses.



I'VE GOT A DOG WHIP —And I'm Looking For The Owner By GEOFFREY SUCKLING

TAKE MY advice. Take no notice of all this bunkum in the papers about "appeasement".

The policy of appeasement may be all right in Europe, but it definitely doesn't work in Hongkong—not in the home at any rate.

I know, because I tried it on my wife the other day with dire results. It was all through the suggestion of my trying to prove to him—even that arch-idiot "Waffles" McTurbot, going so far as to take measurements—that the pavement was wide enough to accommodate two persons abreast.

At any rate we've got fine moon to help us," said Waffles. "That's not the moon, you chump!" replied, "That's a street lamp."

"Of course that's a street lamp. It's moon."

I began to get rattled. "I'll bet you five dollars it's a lamp," I said.

"It'd be shame to take the money, but I know it's moon, an' how can we settle argument anyway? Ah, here comes a gen'man can help."

And, going up to a man approaching in evening dress, he raised his hat and said:

"Excuse me, Sir, but my fren' I are havin' a lil' argument. He bets me that the light in sky's lamp, but I shay it's moon. Will you kindly settle argument for us. What ish that light up there?"

The stranger peered upwards. "Which one?" he asked.

I MENTION THIS incident just to warn you that Waffles and I were not the only ones who had been quaffing that night.

Mind you, I myself was not drunk—merely a bit elevated, that's all.

Arrived at the pier, we hailed a walla walla, and it was while getting into the damn thing that I slipped. I must have made a mighty splash as I entered the water, for, as soon as I broke surface again, I heard that inebriated ass, on the wharf shouting:

"Hil' You can't drop your hook there. You'll foul the government cables, an' the Harbour Master'll be after you."

"You b— fool!" I spluttered, as still clutching my candy, I scrambled back on board. That was not the anchor that dropped, it was me!

The chug of the engine mercifully drowned his shrieks of raucous laughter as we sped across the harbour.

ARRIVED ON my door-step, I made my way cautiously up the stairs. (Can you tell me why stairs creak and groan so in the middle of the night? I never notice it in the daytime.)

I quietly slipped the key into the lock. Most probably Isabella would be asleep, and I could get to bed without her hearing me.

All was serene. So far, so good! I would undress in the dark.

Presently, in the old familiar tones, a voice rang out:

"For goodness sake, switch on the light and get to bed. I shall have something to say to you at breakfast time."

I switched on the light. "Everything's okay dokey, my dear," I said. (Why on earth does one's tongue run away like this when one is doing one's best to assume an air of sobriety?) I have been having a most interesting discussion yours...

FIVE MINUTES LATER we were in the street, and Waffles, who had volunteered to see me as far as Blake pier, insisted on walking in the middle of the road—following the white line—as he called it.

This in spite of the fact that the pavement was wide enough to accommodate two persons abreast.

"I'll bet you five dollars it's a lamp," I said.

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with Mr. McTurbot at the club about the latest—here I took a deep breath—"anschluss."

"Stop sneezing," said the voice, "and get to bed!"

She looked at the clock. "So this is how you keep your New Year resolution to stop drinking!"

Distasteful or not, dissemble I must. "I realise, drawing myself up to my full height, 'ever since the cock crew twelve on New Year's Eve I've been a teetotalitarian!"

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You shouldn't have told him we were married—he's an old family friend and he feels hurt because he didn't marry us."

"Asp," I interrupted, "may be a suitable term for cross-word puzzles, but it falls far short of the mark in describing Isabella. Forgive my remarks yesterday. In future, Waffles, I give you full liberty to refer to my wife in whatever terms you choose."

"Connel come!" said Waffles. "So it's as bad as that? Well, I suggest that, under the circumstances the only thing to save your amour propre is to do the dispensing."

"Waffles McTurbot," I answered, "although I feel that I am lowering myself by drinking with you, you have certainly struck the nail on the head when you mention a horse's neck! Make it a stiff one, and let's hear no more of this appeasement business."

After the liquid had permeated, the situation seemed to clarify somewhat.

"THE WHOLE QUESTION, according to Waffles, now resolved itself on what were the best means of regaining my status quo with the wife."

And then it was that he made the confounded proposition that, appeasement having failed, I should try the "dictator" attitude.

"It's as simple as falling off a log," he said. "All you have to do is to get primed up a little—leave that part to me—and then, when you go home to-night, you do the heavy stuff with Isabella. You'll be surprised at the result."

I certainly was.

"We'll get busy with the priming straight away," he continued. Falling vodka—which this benighted club doesn't seem to possess—we will have to fall back upon some of my 'just-like-mother-makes-them' cocktails."

Whereupon, taking charge of the bar, he began producing his vile concoctions.

I argued, I protested, I wavered, and finally gave in.

It was when we got to what he felt a stinging blow on my chin. It made me realise for the first time that powerful teeth a dog must have. Clutching my jaw, I crept into bed.

LEAVING THE OFFICE next day, I thought I would have a "quick one" before crossing over.

At the entrance to the club I found Bashful sitting on the mat.

I groaned.

I entered.

"Hullo, old comrade of adversity!" was Waffles' greeting. "What about that bit you? ..."

Ah, I'm so sorry, I see that any reference to dogs is distasteful. I can guess what has happened, but I tell me the worst, and break it gently."

"Waffles," I said, "you're a skunk of the lowest water. You ..."

"I know, I know," he cut in, "and my heart bleeds for you. But remember I also have my cross to bear. You know my Desdemona—the sweetest and gentlest of God's creatures. Well, even she looked a trifle glum this morning when she discovered a box of candy in Bashful's kennel. As for that asp of

ON THE STAR ferry I took the opportunity for a trial run of the dictator business.

I strode into the non-smoking compartment, aggressively flitted my pipe, and blew out clouds of smoke.

No-one took any notice.

I put my foot on the seat.

Still no-one complained.

My scheme augured well!

Arrived at the flat, I barged up the stairs, rattled my keys, and threw open the door.

"Wench!" I shouted. "Get up at once and get me some supper!"

No reply.

I entered the bedroom and, brandishing my whip, I strode over to the bed.

"Do you hear me, wench?" I thundered. "Get me some supper!"

Still no answer.

I peered into the bed.

It was empty!

Pinned to the pillow-case was a note. I read it:

"Owing to your disgraceful behaviour last night, I have gone over to stay with Aunt Prue until Sunday (to give you time to come to your senses). I am bringing Aunt Prue with me for tea on Sunday afternoon. Do not fail to be present! You will find your supper on the top shelf of the ice box."

What a pretty kettle of fish! At least I would enjoy my supper in peace. Perhaps there would be some lobate misonnise, or a little cold chicken. I was beginning to feel peckish.

I opened the ice box.

There on a plate were a few broken dog biscuits!

Waffles seems to be avoiding me. I'm looking for him. And Aunt Prue is coming to tea on Sunday!

R. NAVY BEATEN IN LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION

CHINESE WIN IN SPITE OF MUCH WEAKENED SIDE

MANY INJURIES DURING SPEEDY SOCCER MATCH

(By "Abe")

Despite playing with a very much weakened team, the Chinese nevertheless managed to defeat the Navy in the Lai Wah Cup on the Club ground yesterday by four goals to one. The margin of victory rather flattered the Chinese, however; for they were certainly not that much better than the sailors. All the five goals were scored in the second half.

A fast pace was maintained throughout the whole encounter. There were a lot of hard knocks and many players had to leave the field for attention. No quarter was asked for, and none given.

The feature of play in the first half was the speed in which the ball travelled from one side of the field to the other. Both sets of defenders were right on top of their form in this stage, and had no difficulty in keeping out the attackers. Nevertheless, though the Chinese backs seemed to be sturdier than Bellis and Still, it was Tam Kwan-kon, the Chinese goal-keeper, who had the more work to do of the two custodians. However, he was very safe with everything he did and certainly enhanced his prospects of being picked for the Colony team to meet Malaya next month.

TWO ABLE SUBSTITUTES

The Chinese were lucky in that they were able to put two backs in the field who played as well as Mok Shu-hon and Lee Tin-sang have ever done in the past. In Ho Yung-sang and Lo Wai-kuen, the Chinese yesterday had two very steady defenders who time and again averted danger for their side with hefty first-time kicks. It was perhaps just as well for the Chinese that Ho Yung-sang was in, such a splendid form. Thorburn and Hunt were the chief danger to the Chinese but Ho and Chang Chung-wan, the right-half, more often than not had them under control.

On the whole, the half-backs were well-matched. The two pivots, Dixon of the Navy, and Leung Wing-chiu, of the Chinese, did a prodigious amount of work, but though the two Chinese outside forwards, Hau Ching-to and Chan Ping-to, were too fast for the Navy wing-halves, they were unable to make use of this advantage. Neither could centre the ball with accuracy, and Hau made things worse for the Chinese by his tendency to get himself into off-side positions.

The Chinese had bad luck in the first half when Lee Wai-tong, who led the forward-line, hit the post with Hazard well-beaten; but then had only themselves to blame when Hau Ching-to, who was only the goal-keeper to beat, kicked the ball over the bar, and when Cheuk Shek-kam did likewise shortly after.

WEAK NAVY FORWARDS

The Navy forwards also were unable to get going. Thorburn was a hard-worker and made many open-

ings for his colleagues, but none of them seemed to pick a shot capable of beating Tam Kwan-kon. Spiller and Armstrong, the right-wing combination, failed to shine and Hendy was never able to elude the attentions of Lo Wai-kuen and Leung Wing-chiu.

At half-time, the score-sheet was blank. The second half started sensationally. The Navy forwards took the ball down in fine style and almost scored, but play swung over to the other end and after a melee in front of the Navy's goal, Chan Ping-to got the ball into the net from a rebound. There was a mass of players in the goal-mouth, some lying down and some standing up, but when they sorted themselves out, it was discovered that Bellis, the Navy right back, and Cheuk Shek-kam, the Chinese inside right, had hurt themselves. The game proceeded with both men out of play.

The Navy continued to make determined attempts to score and were rewarded when Thorburn took the ball across the goal-mouth and scored. His shot was deflected slightly by a defender and this beat Tam Kwan-kon.

In the next minute, the Chinese were ahead again. Sweeping down on the Navy half, they looked as if they meant business and the move-ment culminated in Chow Man-chi sending a high shot to the corner of the net. Hazard, who appeared unsighted, jumped for the ball too late.

Encouraged by this success, the Chinese dominated play and only the determined defence of the Navy backs kept them from adding to their score.

The Navy forwards, however, were unable to make headway and only Hunt and Thorburn looked dangerous.

FURTHER GOALS

The issue looked safe for the Chinese when Hau Ching-to was sent away by Lee Wai-tong and scored, just beating Hazard to the ball. Lee himself added a fourth a few minutes later.

With this lead, the Chinese packed their goal. If the Navy forwards had found it difficult to score early on, they found it much more difficult now, but to their credit they kept on trying and were unfortunate not to reduce the deficit. On at least one occasion the ball hit the wood-work on its way towards goal.

One little criticism I would like to make regarding the handling of the

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Scotland Beats England In Fine Rugby Tie

WINNERS' HALF-BACKS IN SPLENDID FORM THROUGHOUT GAME

(By "Fly-Half")

One of the best games to watch this season was played on the Club ground on Saturday when Scotland defeated England by 19 points (two goals and three tries) to 11 points (a goal, a penalty dropped goal and a try) in the final of the International Rugby Tournament.



THEY GOT THEIR MAN.—A Scots player brought down by the opposition in the International Rugby Tournament match on the Club ground on Saturday between England and Scotland. The Scots won by 19 points to 11.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

The Scots certainly deserved their victory as they were superior in most departments. Boe and Grieg in general outplayed their opposites. Askew and Watts. The set scrums were mainly ruled by England, for whom Salter hooked excellently. In all other departments of forward play, the Scots had the best of things. It was chiefly from the line-out that Scotland kept the backs well-supplied with the ball. In the loose mauls, the Scots were quick in getting the ball back for Henderson to whip it out to Hutchison.

On Saturday's display, Henderson was superior to Talbot. The workmanlike way in which he lined up the forward pass-backs to his out and swept the ball out to his three was delightful. Talbot was given very little scope with the result that his passing was done hurriedly and, at times, wildly.

A FIELD DAY

Hutchison had a field day. His defence and attack were of exceptional standard. Bidwell, who was marking him, on the other hand played much below form, probably due to his having to play in the unfamiliar position, to him, of stand-off half.

Watts, who was brought in to fill the vacancy made by Lang's inability to play, and subsequent re-arrangement of the English team, played hard and on occasion displayed a fast turn of speed. Askew was much subdued, being well marked by Grieg. All wing three were given very little to do. F. O. Thomas impressed with some very determined running.

Both full backs were rather on the slow side and seldom got near on the point who had broken through. In fielding and kicking, both Brown and Calf were safe.

Right from the kick-off, the game was played at a very fast pace. Contrary to expectation, it was Scotland and not England which benefitted from the open style of play. If paid the penalty for not taking the man with the ball. Times on end, Boe was allowed to sell dummies and sidestep without an English player making any earnest attempt to tackle him.

HARD KNOCKS

The numerous knocks received by players bore witness to the hard way the players went for the ball. At one stage of the game, two players, Henderson and Bosanquet, were stretched out. Henderson apparently had cramp, but Bosanquet was badly hurt. He had to be carried off. It is now feared that the injury is no more than a bad bruise.

Bidwell opened England's account by a dropped penalty goal. In a

H.K. LADIES DRAW WITH C.B.A. TEAM

(By "The Pilgrim")

The C.B.A. Ladies and the Hongkong Ladies played a goalless draw at King's Park last Saturday in the Caer Clark Cup. The game was somewhat hampered by the hard and bumpy ground, but they managed to play interesting hockey in spasms.

After attacking continually in the first half, the C.B.A. were rather unfortunate in not taking the lead when a terrific drive from Mrs. White hit the cross bar and rebounded into play.

During the second half, the Hongkong Ladies shared the brilliant Mrs. Dalziel, at centre-forward, was dangerous but in combination with Miss Reeve and Miss M. Smalley, their finishing was poor and as a result the attackers never attained a high standard of play.

The home side went very near to scoring on many occasions, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Ewing forming a menacing right flank combination.

During the closing stages, many a defence would have wilted before such persistent right wing attacks, but Miss Pope, a strong centre-half, and Miss E. M. Grey, a quick tackling full back, and Mrs. Lanson, a resourceful goal-keeper, covered up with determination.

The C.B.A. half-backs did not play up to their usual form, and the rearguard, in consequence, was not so reliable under pressure, though Miss P. Everest did well.

Play, on the whole, was rather uninteresting. Neither team combined with the smoothness expected of senior teams and a draw was a fair result.

PROMISING MATERIAL AT FIRST INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL OF SEASON

Hongkong Preparing For Encounter With Macao

(By "The Pilgrim")

Some good talent was seen at the Interport Hockey trial held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning. The first-half resulted in a goalless draw between Colours and Whites.

To me the game seemed to be the Colony attack versus the defence. V. Bond and Sommer, backs, with Hook, W. A. Reed and Malik, half-backs, did splendid work in defence for the Whites, whilst S. Fowler, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Nerain Singh and Parbat were efficient in the Colours' attack.

Another man to catch the eye was J. Goncalves, at right back for the Colours. His clearances and constructive play were grand. In the absence of U. B. Souza, young Ribeiro, in goal, gave a splendid performance for the Whites, and though this young player is lacking in experience, the selectors will have to give him serious consideration.

The first half was hard-fought throughout, though Kennedy and Pritam Nath should have found the net on two occasions. G. Fowler, Pyara Singh and G. Singh for the Whites did not combine well in the attack, the last named being handicapped by playing in an unaccustomed position at inside left. However, they were extremely well-supported by their halves.

SECOND HALF

Several changes were made in the second half. Telok Singh partnered Bond at left back for the Whites, and Marques, Parker and Hassan formed the intermediate line. Bartlett, Lauder and Medd were the inside trio, with D. Smith and Miller on the wings.

For the Colours, Benwell replaced Ribeiro in goal, and Sommer assisted Goncalves at left back, with no alteration between the halves and backs.

In this half, the attack, with a reliable half-back line consisting of Hook, Reed and Malik, were seen to advantage, the forwards being more

POPE, BAKER AND FAY RESPONSIBLE FOR POLICE WIN

Police junior league cricketers are delighted with their latest addition, B. C. Fay, and well they might be, for he played a notable part in their victory against the Army on Saturday, scoring an unblemished half century, and also showing useful form with the ball.

However, it was the "old brigade"—Pope and Baker—who laid the foundation of the Police victory. They disposed of the Army between them for a mere 65 runs. Pope was very accurate and in taking six 26, clean bowled five of his victims. Baker obtained three of the remain-

ing wickets for nine runs in five overs.

Police did not start too well, but once Fay had entered, they knocked off the runs with ease. The Police side was in his most punishing mood, yet his batting always retained a certain polished elegance, and, judging on this form, he is rather better than the average junior division bat. He made clever scoring shots all round the wicket, and looked capable of scoring as many runs as he liked.



Play in progress yesterday in the hockey match between past and present C.B.A. girls on the occasion of the opening of the new C.B.A. Club-house by Mrs. W. L. Handyside. The club-house can be seen in the background.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

WELSHMEN SPRING A SURPRISE

Wales sprang a surprise by defeating Ireland in the preliminary game by five points (a goal) to three points (a penalty goal). The Irish three were unable to get into action due to the keen marking of their opponents.

The Welsh were best served by their forwards, among whom Bodington, Start and Bannister were prominent. The loose, Hain, Boustead and Page played well in the Irish pack.

INTERPORT TRIAL

The following have been invited to take part in the Interport trial at 4.30 p.m. on the Club ground next Wednesday, following which it is hoped to select the Colony side to meet Malaya on Saturday, February 11:

Probables: Paym, Lt. J. E. Stevens (Hunt); D. H. Stewart (Club); C. A. O. Ak (Hunt); D. H. Stewart (Club); D. H. Taylor (Police); R. P. C. (Hunt); W. W. Elliot (Eagle) and Lt. E. B. (Medway); W. K. Watson (Club); K. W. Salter (Club); 2/Lt. N. H. Cuthbertson (H. Scott); A. W. Walker (Club); Lt. G. P. Dalziel (Medway); Lt. M. Anderson (Medway); A. J. O. Taylor (Club) and Lt. R. E. Crawford.

REFEREES' MEETING

The half-monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held in the Offices of the Hongkong Football Association, Room 55, 4th Floor, Bank of Canton Building, to-day at 8 p.m.

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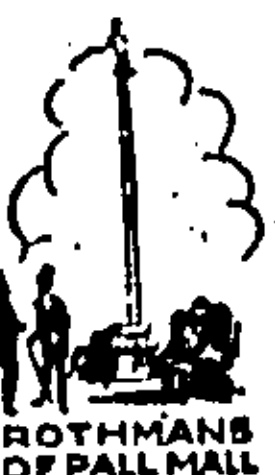
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By Ernie Bushmiller

Eight-Ball Over Recommended For Colony Greater Chances Of A Definite Conclusion

(By "R. Abbit")

Talking over the results of matches in the evening of Saturday last I came across a strenuous adherent of the eight ball over and I must confess he has got me thoroughly talked over. As a girlish enthusiast said to me the other day, I hate draws, and in at least two games on Saturday last, at K.C.C., and at the Civil Service ground, the eight ball over must have brought about a definite conclusion.

The time question cannot be worked out definitely as it depends on whether your bowler takes a long or short run, and on the rate and method of the batsmen's scoring. But it is a mathematical fact that six overs of eight balls equal eight overs of six balls in the number of balls sent down. The two extra balls will take very little time, comparatively speaking, and so you gain all but two overs in eight of the old six ball over. The number of overs under our present rule has been stated to be twenty per hour though, as I said before, it depends on other non-constant factors. That is, eighty in a four hour game, excluding intervals. The gain then in the 8-ball over scheme would be twenty overs less the total time it took to bowl all the extra balls, which I will call X.

COMING TO BRASS TACKS

Now turning to our figures for last Saturday. Seventy one overs in all were bowled in the Club vs. Civil Service and the extra bowling overs would have been just on eighteen overs minus XI. There is little doubt that one more over (and more of that amount) would have done the trick. Now for the K.C.C. seconds vs. Craighengower. In all 69 overs were sent down, and in the proposed scheme the saving would have been a shade over seventeen overs minus X.

For purists let me say I use the word "over" both as equal to "six balls" and to "the time taken to bowl six balls." Again, in the Club second game vs. Civil Service no less than eighty-two overs were bowled, where there would have been a saving of just over twenty overs minus X.

CONTRARY MINDED, IF ANY?

Actually the serious objection has always been that the eight-ball over is going to put too much of a strain on the bowlers and especially on the fast bowlers. Well, I don't see any serious bowler here going to be worried by sending down two more balls per over in the space of time that anyone bowls for in Saturday afternoon cricket. The other objection is that it is changing the rules of cricket. Well, the rules of cricket have been changed before now, and this change is peculiarly easy. The first third at K.C.C. W.G.'s Cricket was played with a four ball over. Then five balls came in and not so long afterwards the present arrangement came in.

THE CHANGE

I do not think it possible for the League Committee to make the change this season as League matches have already been played. But to my mind it should certainly come into force next season. I do not say that it should be used in Tripartite Tournament games, though I think it might well come in there too. On the whole I think it should become the general rule here.

CHANGING THE BOWLING

When talking with my very enthusiastic friend he raised another point—as to the amount of time wasted whenever the bowling was changed. The captain went into a long yarn with the bowler and then people were moved about. Now obviously a captain must consult his bowlers about their field when putting them on, but my friend's point was that each captain knows pretty well not only what bowlers he will use but also what fieldmen he will use, of which alone I speak. The idea is that before the match plans of the field should be worked out for all the bowlers likely to be used and then circulated to the fielders as well as the bowlers. It may sound a lot but it really should take very little time once a beginning had been made. But I fear it is a thing that will never be done.

here where we take our cricket rather unthoughtful.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

The Army met with an almost incredible disaster at the hands of Reccro though I know they were not up to full strength. These things happen, but it must be admitted that the Reccro bowlers brought off a very fine piece of work. The Navy had only Firth and Kennedy of their real first side and they stuck to the policy—the only one possible under present conditions—not calling upon their second eleven but filling up as best they might. They had the satisfaction of knowing that the second beat the I.R.C. comfortably, thanks to a day out by Carless whose figures were 9-3-25-0. Smith and Clayton got most of the runs but the former must learn to judge a run better.

SECOND LEAGUE

In other games the Civil Service hung on to draw with the Club, but they were lucky to do so. The Club total seems unnecessarily large but I deduce that a lot of them were made quickly at the end as they bowled 48 overs as against the Civil Servants' 34! The Police beat Army second, R. C. Fay, a new Police Cadet, getting fifty, and the Commissioner of Police, who must be down of all playing cricketers in the Colony now, hit up thirty. Reccro only drew with the Varsity in a match of individual performances as G. N. Gosano, (58), R. Soares (20) and A. R. Marques (21) made most of the runs for Reccro, while K. Y. Tern (43) and J. Gong (33) held the fort for the Varsity. Gong got 5 for 32 for them.

AN UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT

It was indeed sorry to hear that Norman Mackay had broken his nose when mis-hitting a high full toss. He had scored 22 at the time and it is hard luck to pick a bit of bad luck like that on one of the few occasions on which he has been able to turn out. Kowloon were sold in their batting and had the better of C.C.C. though Ernie Zimmerman (46) and A. K. Ismail (23) saved the side. I am glad to see Frank Goodwin is back and playing cricket again.

ANOTHER ACCIDENT

Alec Pearce was unlucky in the Civil Service v. Club game to split a finger. I gather he took a very hard hit and the seam of the ball took him exactly where he had previously split the skin and opened it up badly. He came back later to play a very good innings in spite of his damaged hand. The Civil Service perhaps gave the Club rather a short time to bat but it must be remembered the Club won the toss and put them in. Their innings was marked by two stands, between Richardson and McLellan and between Perry and Hoddige (who he fielded) and will make a very good player with perseverance and experience. Perry played a splendid captain's innings. Unlike others of the side he is always at his best for the C.S.C.C. There was a curious incident in McLellan's innings which I heard from the square leg umpire who gave him not out. The batsman played one to square leg and after he had started for a short run it was seen that a ball had fallen. The umpire, however, was satisfied that McLellan had completed his stroke, and that he knocked off the ball when stepping back to get his balance to start for the run—or perhaps I should say to get a kick off for his start. Given the facts as stated the decision was perfectly right.

"THE LAST OVER"

Owen Hughes (39), John Pearce (30) and Alec Pearce (24) were chief scorers for the Club. I hear the running of the Pearce brothers between the wickets was masterly.

These Lovies Go Sleuthing



Supporting Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda in "The Mad Miss Manton," these seven beauties aid in solving a serio-comic murder mystery. They are: (Lower row) Linda Terry, Frances Mercer, Vicki Lester; (Second row) Ann Evers, Catherine O'Connell, Eleanor Hansen; (Top) Whitney Bourne.

Craighengower Seconds Hold Kowloon C. C. In An Exciting Finish

The most important factors which enabled Craighengower to avoid defeat against the K.C.C., in a junior division cricket match at King's Park on Saturday were the bowling of George Winch, which was so accurate that he kept the K.C.C. scoring well behind the clock during the first hour, and so prevented an earlier declaration, and the stout-hearted batting of H. P. Lim, who for an hour defied all attempts to dislodge him.

Without these two players Craighengower would have been in a sorry plight. As it was they managed to hold out in an exciting finish, the ninth wicket falling in the last but one over with the home side enjoying a lead of 62.

Winch's final figures, 2 for 55, by no means represented his fine bowling during the early phases of the game. He conceded most of the runs in a second spell, when he bowled from the opposite end, and was quite obviously tired. But his first 10 overs had the home batsmen strictly on the defensive. Bowling wide out from round the wicket, he swerved disconcertingly with the shiny ball, and always struck a good length. So quiet did he keep the batsmen that the first 50 runs took an hour to make, and although the rate of scoring increased when he was taken off, the K.C.C. could never catch up with the clock.

Because Craighengower are reputedly strong in batting, the declaration could not be made until 180 runs were on the board, and this was not until ten minutes past four.

OFFERED SPORTING CHANCE

Even so, the visitors were offered a sporting chance of making the runs, undoubtedly these would have been attempted had not early successes come the way of the K.C.C., which thrust Craighengower back strictly on the defensive.

Laurence took a good catch in the slips to send back Ride. Longfield, who had previously taken 6 for 27 and done the hat-trick, failed but Haynes and Secones looked like getting the runs when stumps were drawn. I hear there was some discussion as to this and someone pointed out as the teams were going in that the Jockey Club clock still pointed to two minutes to six. Well, what the Jockey Club clock says isn't evidence. The time is ruled by the umpires' watches which should be synchronised before the innings. If there is only one permanent umpire the match must be terminated by his watch. The one curious thing to me is that anyone should be able to read the time on the Jockey Club clock at six o'clock on a January evening when on the C.S.C.C. ground. Usually you can't see the Jockey Club even!

Lim made a splendid contribution to this end, remaining in while seven other batsmen came and went, and batting faultlessly for his 36 runs. Afterwards, France proved a tower of strength in defending, and very properly refusing to play out the last over with the K.C.C. fielders literally crouching over his bat.

Consistent batting allowed the K.C.C. to amass 154 for 6 declared, but it was the forefulness of Mulcahy who hit up a merry 35, out, and the stability of McKenzie, who obtained 29 in good style which enabled the home side to obtain such a safe position.

The Craighengower attack was very good at the start, Winch being ably supported by Omar, but when the former was brought back for a second spell he was treated in cavalier fashion by Mulcahy, while Way was punished by McKenzie and Baldwin. Craighengower fielding was much below par, more than one comparatively easy catch being dropped, and these mistakes proved expensive. Kitchell and Broadbridge were two offshoots which more enterprising fielding might have turned to useful account.

BRILLIANT CATCHES

K.C.C. fielding contrasted very strongly. Brokenshire and White took splendid catches, and little was given away on the ground. It was this given away support which enabled the bowlers to return such good figures. Simpson bowled much better than usual and merited his four wickets for 24 runs, and Baldwin always had the batsmen playing off the back foot. Taylor, brought on at the last minute had the encouraging figures of two wickets, two maidens, no runs, and two wickets.

So far as the Craighengower batting was concerned, only Lim shined in a manner suggesting runs. He was very confident, but he could get nobody to stay with him. Winch might have made a few, but he was magnificently caught off a big hit to long leg, while Kitchell, shaping quite well, had the mortification of being brilliantly taken by White at backward point, the ball travelling off the bat like a bullet.

K.C.C. may, perhaps, count themselves a trifle unlucky to have been denied three points, yet credit must be given to the visitors for the manner in which they held out.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) school—schilla—floriculture allude—retrievable—allure

FIRST ROUND OF JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The following are the first-round results in the Junior Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club: H. N. Williamson beat J. W. Mayhew at the 19th.

N. K. Littlejohn beat R. M. Henderson 3 and 2.

J. Forbes beat J. Harrop 4 and 3.

C. H. Burton beat T. J. Price 5 and 3.

J. L. C. Pearce beat L. M. Wyke at the 20th.

W. W. C. Shewan beat C. M. Stark 7 and 5.

T. F. R. Waters beat E. Faggiano one up.

J. S. Dunnett beat C. D. N. Walker 4 and 3.

BOGEY POOL

The Bogey (Par) Pool, played on the Old Course at Fanling over the week-end, resulted in a win for T. R. Rowell (18) with a score of one up.

There were 25 entries.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"The Baroness and the Butler" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Films of this sort were very popular a few years ago, when Hollywood was more influenced by the German filmmakers than it is today. Here are the adventures of a butler, who looks at a baroness. The story, true in itself, is made entertaining by the good work of William Powell, Annabella, Henry Stephenson, Joseph Schildkraut and Helen Westley.

"Disney's Features" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—Ten Walt Disney's features are put together in the same programme for the first time. That this innovation will prove popular with the film public there is very little doubt. Disney's art is refreshing, and here we have some of his most brilliant ideas congregated to provide 100 minutes of fun not only for children but for adults as well.

"The Mad Miss Manton" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Mystery farce which clips and quips along at a smart pace and keeps you guessing most of the time. Miss Manton and some of her deb chums decide to solve a double murder, putting to shame not only the Police but a young reporter. This is the best mystery we have had for some time. Barbara Stanwyck, Henry Fonda, Sam Levene, Stanley Ridges and others help the action along.

"Everybody Sing" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Fair entertainment, with good music and a comical portrayal by Fannie Brice, which is the best part of the show. Others in the cast are Reginald Owen, Allan Jones and Judy Garland.

"The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—David Selznick scores again with a technical treatment of Mark Twain's boy story. The book's outstanding incidents have been retained and whether or not Tom Kelly turns out to be the Tom of your imagination he is at least a captivating youngster.

Hockey Club Teams For The Week

The following team has been selected to represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club in the Tripartite Tournament against the Royal Navy on Wednesday, January 25. Bully Off 4.45 p.m.

V. M. Benwell; W. G. Schnabel; V. Reed; H. J. D. Lowe (Capt.); W. A. Reed; N. B. Whitley; S. A. Fowler; T. D. Whitley; A. H. Pontius; B. I. Bleckford and V. C. Bond.

Umpires by the Army.

"A" TEAM

The following team will represent the "A" XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Corps of Signals on the Club ground on Friday, January 27. Bully Off 5 p.m.

W. Brown; J. E. Potter; F. H. Stokes; G. E. R. Divett (Capt.); L. Strubuck; A. M. J. Wright; W. Spencer; R. A. Bates; K. A. Blidman; E. F. A. Morgan and L. E. Tamworth.

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INDIANS' BATTING COLLAPSES

Wood And Carless Much Too Good

The Indian R.C. seconds, who performed so creditably against the Hongkong C.C. the week before, came a terrific cropper when they met the Navy seconds, champions of the Junior Cricket League, at Soekunpoo on Saturday and were beaten by 58 runs.

The home players did very well to dismiss the Navy batsmen for only 105 in spite of the fact that the sailors were one man short. But when they themselves went in to bat, they found the bowling of Wood and Carless much too good for them and were all out for 47.

At one stage of the game, the Navy did not look as if they would see the 100 mark. They had lost six wickets for less than 50 runs, but A. B. Smith and E. A. Clayton stayed together for half an hour, by the end of which period the Navy stock had risen considerably. Smith gave a hard return catch to Abbas early in his innings, but it was not accepted, and he went on to make a painstaking 24. Apart from him and Clayton, nobody else in the Navy team did anything of note with the bat.

Normally 105 on the I.R.C. ground would have been an easy task for the Indians; but those who had thought so on Saturday had reckoned without Wood and Carless.

Wood bowling fastish left-arm round the wicket and Carless, turning in from the leg, had the Indians in difficulties from the start. The first wicket fell at 15, the second at 25, the third at 35 and the fourth at the same score. Thereafter little progress was made by the Indians while their batsmen staged a little procession to and from the pavilion. Nine wickets were down for 41, and though A. R. Markar and Y. T. Barma stuck in for nearly 20 minutes for the last-wicket partnership, they added only six runs.

The Indians made the mistake of playing back to Carless, who was keeping a good length and spinning them from the leg. Four batsmen got bowled in this manner, being beaten by the spin.

Wood also was giving a good account of himself at the other end. He kept a good length most of the time, but his speed prevented the Indians from taking liberties with him even when he sent down loose ones.

It was a miserable display by the Indians, who had only themselves to blame for this wretched batting exhibition.

Capt. Carless at one stage had taken six wickets for 10 runs and finally finished up with six for 25.

Navy Beaten In Lai Wah Cup

(Continued from Page 8.)

game is that far too many petty infringements were allowed to pass unpunished. As a result dangerous play crept into the game, especially in the second half.

Teams: Chinese—Wan, Kwan, Yung-sang, Lo, Wal-huen; Chung-chung-wan, Lee Wing-chiu, King-shing, Chan Ping-to, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-tung, Chow Man-chi and Hui Ching-to.

Navy.—Hazart, Bellis, Sull, Honeywell, Dixon, Fisher, Armstrong, Spiller, Hendy, Thorburn, and Hunt.

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Tennis

HENKEL LOSES TO MENZEL IN STRAIGHT SETS

Berlin, Jan. 22.

The German covered court tennis championship was won by the Sudeten German, Roderich Menzel, who beat Henner Henkel to-day by 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.

The women's championship was won by the American, Miss G. Wheeler, who beat the Hungarian, Miss Somogyi, 6-4, 6-4.

In the women's doubles, Miss Wheeler and the German, Fraulein Hamel, beat the Hungarians, Miss Somogyi and Miss Kovacs, by 6-4, 6-3 and in the men's doubles, Roderich Menzel and Metaxa beat Goepfert and Beutner 6-0, 6-4, 6-3, 13-15, 6-4.

In the mixed doubles, the German, Hamel and Beutner, beat Miss Wheeler and Metaxa 7-5, 6-3.

Yung-sang, Lo, Wal-huen; Chung-chung-wan, Lee Wing-chiu, King-shing, Chan Ping-to, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wai-tung, Chow Man-chi and Hui Ching-to.

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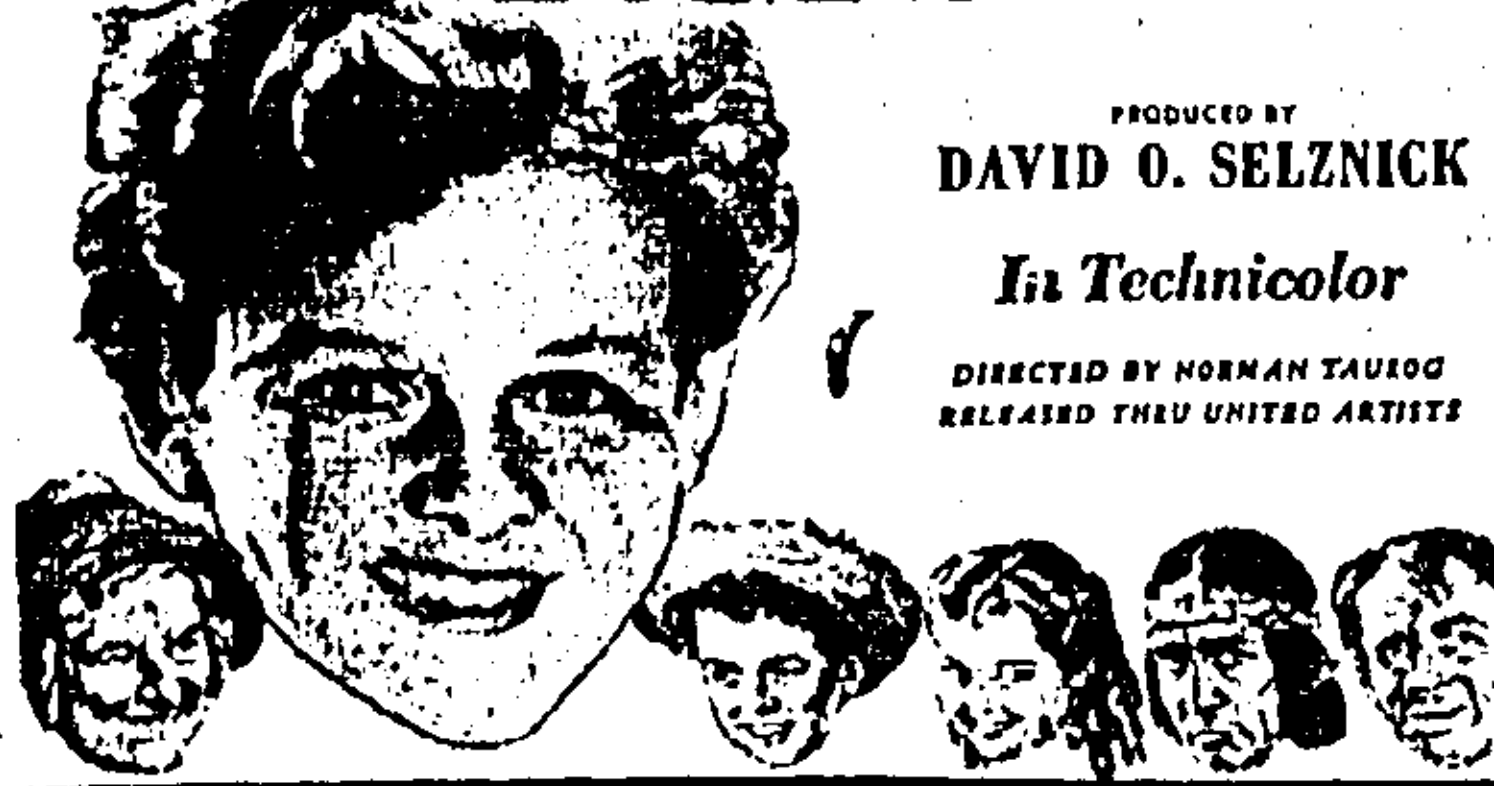
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PALESTINE VIOLENCE CONTINUES

24-Hour Curfew Re-imposed

JERUSALEM, Jan. 22.
BEHOR MURASH, a prominent Jewish merchant was shot dead by Arabs in the heart of the city to-day.

A 24-hour curfew has been imposed in Jerusalem, while the Old City was searched following the murder of Behor Murash.

Unknown men shot and killed Sheikh Nabulsi, a mosque gatekeeper to-day.

Two Jews were wounded while unloading petrol at the Imperial Airways seaplane base on the Sea of Galilee.

Another message from Jerusalem says that Raghib Nasasibi, leader of the Palestine Arab Defence Party (Moderates) broke a long silence by calling to his cousin, who is acting as leader of the party. The cable expressed approval of the recent parleys with the authorities concerning representation of the Defence Party at the London conference.

The fact that the party leader has broken a silence which terrorism hitherto had made advisable, is regarded as a significant development.

Social Items

A meeting of the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pioneers will be held at the Challenge Bookshop, Ice House Street, on Wednesday, January 25, at 5.30 p.m., when a talk will be given by Mrs. Irene Short entitled "Activities of the War Resisters' International." The meeting is open to the public.

The wedding of Miss Letitia Nancy Edwards to the Rev. Edwin Badger took place at All Saints' Church, Kobe, recently. After returning from their honeymoon, they will make their home at Himeji, where the Rev. Mr. Badger is a missionary priest in the Nippon Seikokwai. The bride, previous to her marriage, was also stationed at Himeji.

The wedding of Miss Lucienne Poulain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Elliston, of Shanghai, to Mr. Edward Stutz of Kobe, took place in Shanghai recently at the Consulate General for Switzerland. The bride was given away by her father and only intimate friends of the family attended the ceremony. Both the bride and groom have been residents of Kobe for several years and are well-known there. The groom is connected with the Osaka office of Liebermann, Weidlich and Company, and the bride has been with Teikoku Sanso Kabushiki Kaisha.

Brought all the way over from England for the occasion, the lovely veil of Old Limerick lace which has adorned brides of the Arundell family for more than two hundred years, was worn by Miss Gwenifer Livingstone Lewis as she exchanged marriage vows with Philip Grenville Harris-Arundell in the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila.

BOMBED FROM AIR

British Conduct Raid On Indian Hamlet

Peshawar, Jan. 22.
A small hamlet in Kacha valley, northern Waziristan, used by the Fakir of Ipi as a base from which he instigated raids on Bannu and Derisailkhan districts, was bombed from the air to-day.

In accordance with the usual precautions of the authorities to avoid loss of civilian life, leaflets were dropped by aircraft giving the villagers 24 hours' warning to remove themselves and families from the scene of action.

The Fakir of Ipi has been harried in the hamlet in defiance of Government orders and warnings.

A.R.P. In Chungking

WAR CAPITAL IS HONEYCOMBED WITH TUNNELS

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22.

WHEN THE air-raid sirens shriek their warning signal this summer, more than 100,000 of Chungking's estimated population of 700,000 will trek swiftly to the capital city's newest bomb-proof shelter, a 4,100 metre tunnel drilled into solid rock.

When the war is over, China's engineers will be prepared to show the world how a war-shelter can be quickly turned into a peace-time subway, China's first.

Chungking itself is still comparatively safe from mass bombings. Japanese planes have flown over the city five times during the hostilities and have found the city but once.

A blanket of clouds, mist and smoke shrouds the city virtually every day. Until this blanket lifts or the Japanese planes encounter one of the few sunny days, the city will be comparatively safe.

Chinese anti-aircraft units outside the city with the exception of the last raid have remained silent and all Chinese fighting craft grounded during the raids in order not to give away the exact locality to the raiders.

FORCED TO FLY HIGH

In addition, Japanese bombers are forced to fly high—sometimes as high as 10,000 feet—in order to escape the attacking Chinese pursuit planes.

The flying distance from Hankow, the present Japanese base, to Chungking is too great for the limited cruising range of the fast Japanese pursuit planes, so the bombers are forced to depend on their own armaments for protection.

During the first raid the Japanese bombers made on Chengtu, which is only slightly further from Hankow than is Chungking, six of the heavy bombers were shot down by the faster Chinese pursuit planes.

An American pilot, now employed by the Chinese Government, testified to this, and then pointed out that if the Japanese had been able to use a protective squadron of pursuit planes, probably none of the bombers would have been lost.

BOMB-PROOF TUNNEL

Recognising the possibility of a Japanese thrust to the west where a base could be established for daily and protected raids to Ichang and the actuality of coming summer days when the cloud blanket would no longer protect Chungking, Chinese engineers studied the problem—and produced plans for a bomb-proof tunnel.

Ground was broken on August 13, 1938, the first anniversary of the outbreak of the Shanghai hostilities. Since then, more than 250 labourers have been excavating the tunnel, while hundreds of other coolies trot up and down the hills, carrying the excavated sandstone to the river and other points where the stone can be used for construction purposes.

Most of the excavation is by manual labour, although two drilling machines are used. Occasionally, a terrific blast rocks the city streets when black powder—used by the Chinese in place of dynamite—is exploded. Engineers lament the lack of drilling machines, for the project would have been completed by late February instead of this summer if such machines were available.

20 ENTRANCES

There are 20 entrances to the tunnel, and either by chance or choice, the main entrance is at the "Cave of the Goddess of Mercy," outside Tung Yuan Men, the west gate to the city. There is an entrance at each of the five city gates, one just off the main business centre, and one in Central Park (where a few scraggly animals and birds hold forth in the capital's only zoo). These entrances lead direct from the streets, while others are formed by ladders, and one by a shaft.

The tunnel will be 2.5 meters wide and the same distance from top to bottom. The arched ceiling is from 10 to 30 meters from the surface of the ground above, and is constructed mostly through solid rock. Wherever

earth is encountered, concrete arches are being constructed to make the tunnel bomb-proof.

AIR PUMPED IN

Ten air pumps, each of five to ten horsepower will be installed to provide ventilation. A generator will also be installed to provide light, had also power for a system of loud speakers whereby instructions can be broadcast to the people in the tunnel during raids.

After the war is ended, the tunnel will be converted into a subway, for passenger and freight traffic from one end of the peninsula to the other. A Chinese official told the United Press. To go from one end of the city to the other now involves either walking up and down endless flights of steps or following a tortuous winding street that is jammed all hours of the day with thousands of coolies and pedestrians.

Total construction cost is estimated at 700,000 Chinese dollars. The Ministry of Finance allocated 200,000 yuan of this while the remainder will be borne by the Chungking Air Defence Headquarters.

CHOKED WITH REFUGEES

Because all of Chungking's buildings are old and constitute a real fire hazard, the city is choked with three times its normal population, the fire-fighting equipment is scanty and has been made to provide bomb-proof shelters. More than 60 public dugouts have been constructed on the various hillsides, each 30 to 40 meters long and capable of accommodating 500 people or more. Many individuals and organizations have constructed baser and smaller dugouts. A few well-placed high-explosive and incendiary bombs would not only partially destroy the city but would kill or maim thousands of civilians, and as a Chinese official told the United Press, "we will make a cataclysm out of the 'mountain city'—Chungking—if we have to in order to save lives."—United Press.

New Purge In Russia

Moscow, Jan. 22.
Over 100 executive officials have been dismissed or reduced in rank during the past week in a campaign to tighten up labour discipline.

The campaign extended to civil aviation with the announcement that ten pilots, engineers, and executive officers had been dismissed for unpunctuality.

The dismissals include M. Molokov, chief of civil aviation in the Far East, who will be prosecuted for absence from his post on January 7 and 8, which is the Russian orthodox Christmas.—Reuter.

German Warning To The Czechs

Berlin, Jan. 22.
M. Chvalkovsky, the Czech Foreign Minister, has been given to understand that there should not be room in Czechoslovakia for a policy directed against Germany, said a German spokesman, commenting on M. Chvalkovsky's visit.

M. Chvalkovsky's discussions with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop and Herr Hitler were restricted to economic problems and political relations, and military questions were not touched.

The "National Zeitung" expects from the visit further improvement in Czechoslovak relations, not only with Germany, but also Hungary.—Reuter.

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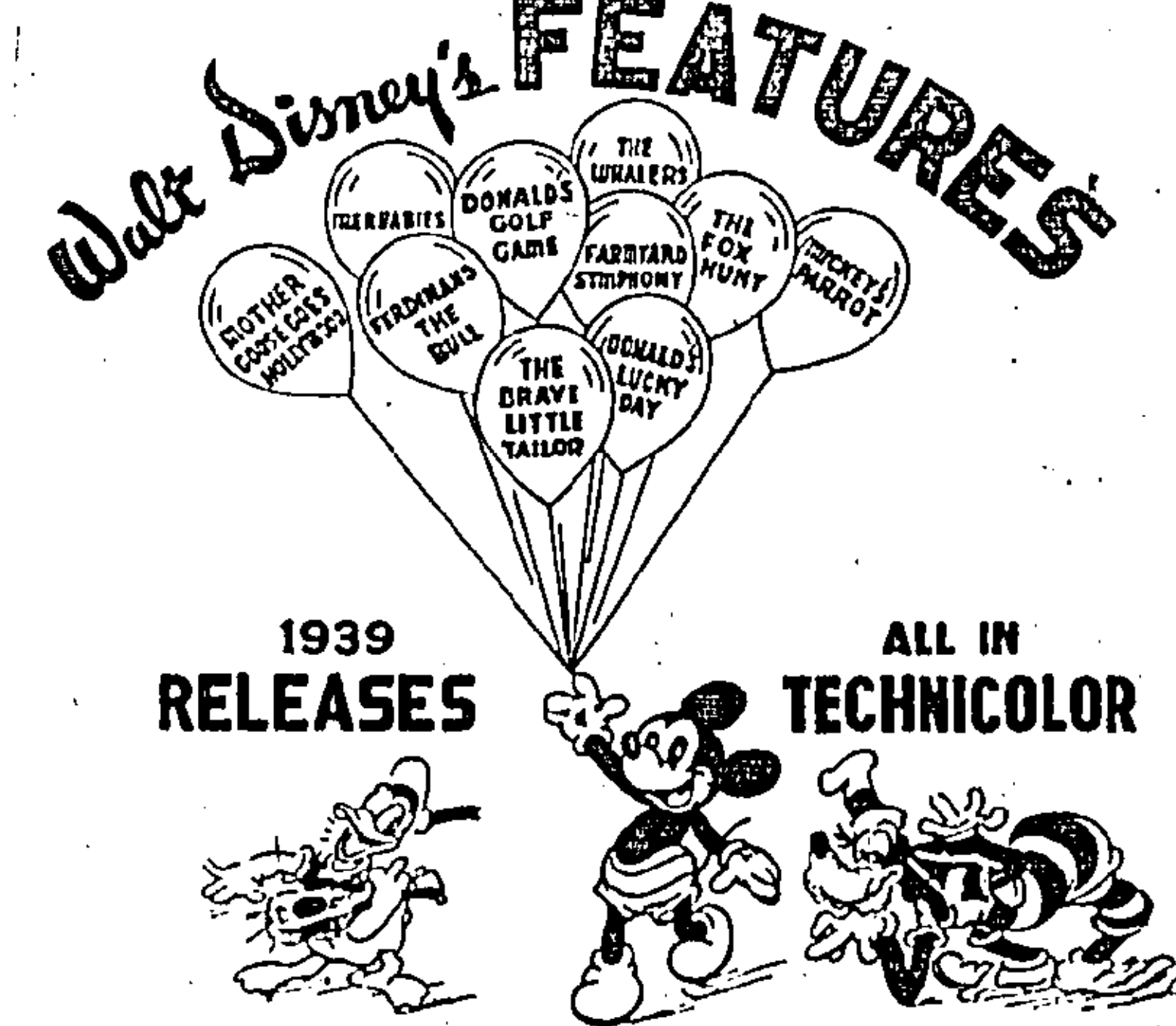


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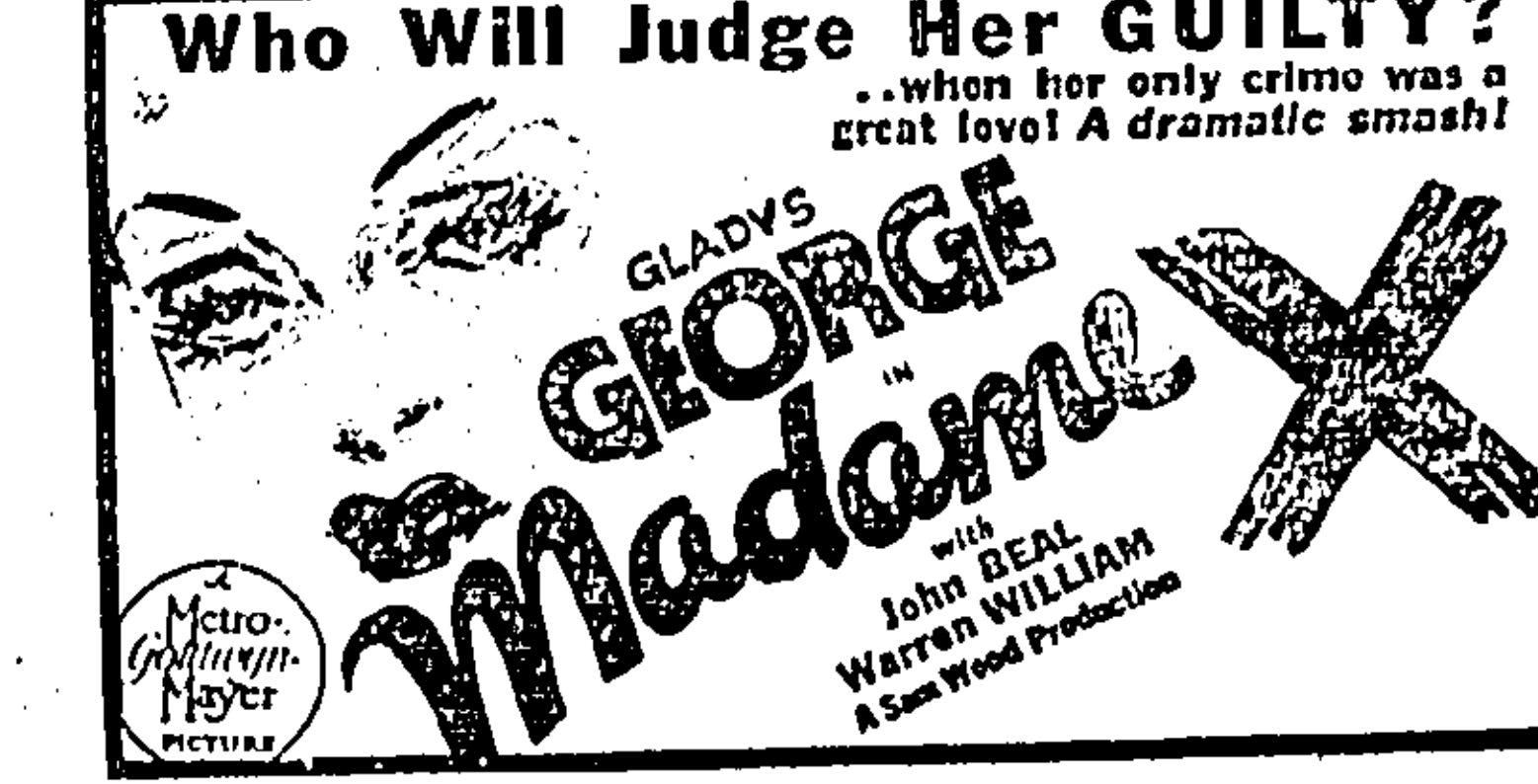
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REGISTRY WEDDINGS

Three Couples United On Saturday

The wedding took place at the Registry on Saturday before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, of Mr. John Jones, chemist, of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., and Mrs. Mary Shute (widow), of 10 Nathan Road, Kowloon. The witnesses were Messrs. C. N. S. Burns and E. B. David.

Two Chinese weddings also took place at the Registry on Saturday. Mr. Ng Yip-shing, clerk of the Insurance Company of North America, married Miss Phoon Yun-wah, of 80 Queen's Road, Central. Mr. T. J. Gould officiated at the ceremony.

Mr. Chan Shing-wu, managing director of Messrs. Jensen & Co., married Miss So Ting-yuk, of 1 Wing Wah Terrace, Mr. T. S. Whyte, Smith Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

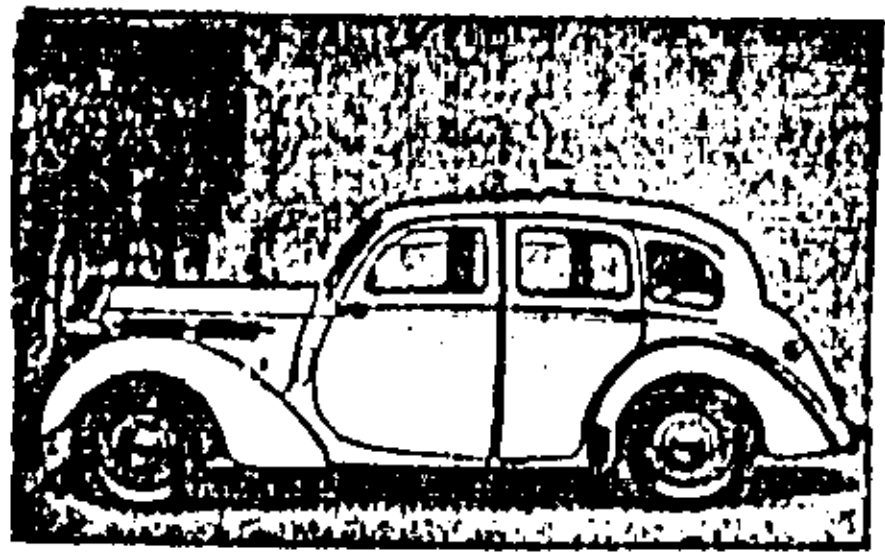
SOON TO WED

The forthcoming wedding is announced between Lieut. Richard Thurston Venables Kyrke, of I.M.S. Regiment, Durston Church, Somerset, England, and Miss Barbara Charlotte Hance, of 1 Peak Mansions, Hongkong. The marriage will take place in England.

The following couples have also announced their forthcoming weddings: Albert Percy Finch, journalist, of 9 Avenue Edward VII, Shanghai, and Barbara Miller, journalist, residing at the Metropole Hotel, Fochow Road, Shanghai; Lam Man, clerk at the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, and Wong Sau Kuen, of 12 Mongkok Road, Kowloon; Cheon Ka-ichee, medical practitioner, and Siu Yim-ling, of 23 Bonham Road; Chan Lo-ka, teacher at the Lingnan University, and Hui Yee-fai, teacher, residing at 424 Nathan Road, Kowloon; Lionel Adolphus Chung, storekeeper, and Maisie Chan, midwife, residing at 23 Tal Nam Street, Shamshuipo.

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INSURGENT VICTORY ENVISAGED BY DEMOCRACIES

LONDON, Jan. 22.
WITH GENERAL FRANCO steadily closing in on Barcelona, the "Observer" diplomatic correspondent discusses the possible effect on German and Italian diplomacy of a Franco victory in Spain.

The writer states that consultations have taken place through diplomatic channels between the British and French governments about the potential effect, especially on France, of an Insurgent victory.

He adds that it is not feared that either Germany or Italy will obtain any strategic footing in Spain, "as it is recognised that General Franco's following is as nationalist in the Spanish sense, as Hitler's is in the German sense, and Mussolini's is in the Italian sense."

INSURGENT VANGUARD NEAR CITY

LERIDA, Jan. 22.
AS A RESULT of to-day's advance, the Insurgents claim that their front line is now within 15 miles of Barcelona at certain points.

The Insurgent phalanx of 160,000 faces the Llobregat River defences running north-westwards from the coast.

Progress averaging five miles is also claimed on the 25-mile front from Igualada to Vilanova, and that simultaneously the Insurgents are advancing along the road to Seo de Urgel and the Ponsona road, with the evident intention of severing Barcelona's link with France.

SUPPLIES FROM FRANCE?

The Insurgent authorities at Burgos declare that war material for the Loyalists, including 22 tanks passed through the frontier towns of Port Vendres, Cerberes and Legerhus on Friday night.

Customs officers in these towns received orders to permit passage of the material, they add.
A Valencia message says that the British steamer Stanholm was slightly damaged in an air raid this morning, in the course of which 50 bombs dropped.—Reuter.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK IN AIR RAID

Barcelona, Jan. 22.
Ten air raids have been made on the city in the last 24 hours, but the number of casualties and the amount of damage is not yet ascertainable.

It is reported that the British steamer, African Mariner, was sunk during one of to-day's raids.
The air raids led to a spectacular air battle over the city, in which 40 Insurgent and 24 Loyalist planes participated.

The Insurgents are apparently attempting an air blockade in order to prevent supplies reaching the city. The planes are paying particular attention to the coastal road to France.—Reuter.

Perpignan, Jan. 22.
The President of Loyalist Spain, M. Azana, has left Barcelona on his way either to Valencia or Madrid, according to the reports of a French traveller arriving here, who adds that other Government offices are following.—Trans-Ocean.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS MOVING

St. Jean De Luz, Jan. 22.
The Diplomatic Corps has left, or is leaving Barcelona, it was reported here to-day. The French Embassy (Continued on Page 4.)

JAPANESE CONSCRIPTS Military Service To Be Extended

TOKYO, Jan. 23.
WITH A VIEW to replenishing the means of national defence, the Government has decided to submit to the current session of the Diet a bill providing for revision of the existing conscription law whereby the term of the military service on the reserve list of the Army will be extended by five years.

The terms of the first and second reserve lists of the Navy will be extended by one and two years, respectively, under the revised service act, it was officially announced here.—Domei.

H.K. Girl In Television



U.S. MAY ABANDON SILVER POLICY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.
IT IS SEMI-OFFICIALLY reported that President Roosevelt may not ask Congress to renew his power to fix the price of domestically-mined silver, when authorisation for this expires on June 30.

NEW CHINA LOAN SEEN IMMINENT

China And Trade
With Indo-China

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22.
HIGH GOVERNMENT officials are optimistic regarding a British loan to China, when discussing the "Daily Herald" report.

However, officials very close to Dr. H. H. Kung, the Finance Minister, when questioned said: "We have no freedom to tell you anything about that."

Official and financial circles appeared assured about the success of getting a British loan, but the exact figure is not known.

Observers stated that the loans extended to China by the United States and Britain both constituted a gesture to Japan against her military aggression.—United Press.

INDO-CHINA ROUTE

Chungking, Jan. 23.
Chinese sources say that the Chinese Foreign Office is paying attention to China-Indo-China border affairs.

It is stated that the Foreign Office hopes that France will live up to the terms of the 1930 Nanking Convention agreement regarding the regulations governing border traffic, whereby arms and munitions are permitted to cross the border in transit duty free.

It is stated that recently the Foreign Office addressed a message to French officials regarding the above and it is said that French officials are imposing very high import duties on American automobiles passing across the border, which means that the French Renault productions virtually control Chinese trade to Indo-China.

It was added that as a result, several hundred American trucks are stranded at Hanou.—United Press.

REMOVING CAPITAL

TO INDIA?

London, Jan. 23.

A few far-sighted people are enquiring about the possibilities of capital investment in India, as a set-off to the loss of opportunities in China, writes a special correspondent of the "Financial News."

He adds that one of the results of the Far Eastern conflict is sure to be a greater amount of attention for India, both on strategic and economic grounds.

What may turn out to be only routes for Western trade contact with China, are routes that can be (Continued on Page 4.)

DRAMATIC STORY OF RESCUES IN MID-ATLANTIC

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.
ALL THE SURVIVORS of the sunken Cavalier, with the exception of Captain M. R. Alderson, are reported to be in fairly good condition, although suffering from extreme exposure, submersion and shock.

At 11 a.m., the tanker Baytown, which rescued the Cavalier survivors, was estimated to be about 145 miles south-east of New York, making between 11 and 12 knots, and it was expected to dock somewhere in New York harbour.

Meanwhile coastguard cutters have reached the spot where the Cavalier sank, and they have been ordered to continue the search for the missing plane and three missing people until nightfall, although there is very little hope that they will be successful.

The Baytown's skipper wire-lessly a laconic report of the rescue of the ten survivors in dangerously high seas.

HEARD VOICES CALLING

The report stated: "Arriving at a true position at 11 p.m., we heard voices calling east of us. We stopped, put over a lifeboat, and picked up ten survivors hanging on to rubber lifebelts. Two passengers and a steward were so weak that they let go of their belts."

Commander McElligott of the coastguard cutter Champlain, interviewed by wireless by the National Broadcasting Company, said that the passengers and crew of the flying boat had not time to put on their lifebelts before the plane sank, but were obliged to cling as best they could. Belts are attached to each seat and clearly marked in large letters "Front," and giving instructions how to put on the belts. But the Cavalier obviously hit the water so hard—the ship's landing speed—that the passengers had to take the belts with them into the ocean, instead of being able to don them.

MISS AILLEN TAI, A Hong-kong Chinese girl who is visiting London, was one of many people from all parts of the British Empire who were televised at Alexandria Palace, North London, during the Television broadcast of the 200th Edition of "Picture Page," a popular series of telecasts. Miss Tai is on extreme right of group. In the photograph are, back row, from left to right, Captain Tawera Moana (Maori); Lance-Corporal McDowell (Canadian "Mountie"); and Anu (African piper). In the front, from left to right, are Miss Mya Shin (Burmese), Miss Virjee (Indian), Miss Cecily Demetrius (West Indies), Miss Aileen Tai (Hongkong), and, extreme right, the Red Indian Chief, Os-ke-non-ton.—Photograph by courtesy B.R.C.

BRUTAL MURDER SEQUEL

Two Men Charged
With Crime

A BRUTAL MURDER on the hillside above Tai-po Road was the subject of proceedings at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when Chan Yeung, 30, and Tso Chun, 24, were tried before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, on charges of having caused the death of Wong Kwai-fong, a fellow-coolie.

Accused pleaded not guilty. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. R. Petrie (Foreman), Wong Tso-long, Wong Shu-chuen, A. G. Goldau, W. K. Way, Cheung Wing-shing and Chang Sai-cheung.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted. Accused were defended by Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin.

Mr. Williams said the principal characters in the case were coolies who had been working in the mines in Mantok in the Dutch East Indies. The two accused, and one Chan Chun, who would be the principal witness for the Crown, has been working in the same mine, and though deceased had been with another, he was known to them.

They returned to Hongkong on November 29 last and were met by a former fellow-worker, Tang Lau-mul, who took them to a boarding house in Yee Kuk Street, Shamshui-po.

ASKED FOR MONEY

"At about 5 p.m. on the same day, an incident occurred which might have caused the attack on deceased, said Counsel.

"First accused was heard asking Wong for the return of \$10, which he had borrowed whilst they were in the Dutch East Indies. Wong replied he could not repay as he had lost the money in gambling.

"Nothing further happened until the afternoon of December 1, when Tang the two accused, Wong, Chan Chun and one Tan Pei-chai went to a stream up the hillside off Tai-po Road to bathe. On the way they met Leung Wan, also an inmate of the (Continued on Page 4.)

SIX CARS DISAPPEAR IN WEEK-END

Swift Police Work
Recovers Four

A record was created in Hong-kong over the week-end, when six motor-cars, parked at various points in the Colony, were reported to be missing from their stands this morning. They had been moved without the authority of their owners.

The Traffic Department, supplied by rate owners with the numbers and descriptions of the missing vehicles, set to work at once, and by 12.30 p.m. had recovered four of them.

However, two are still missing. The Police have looked high and low, but have not yet been able to locate them.

An "S.O.S." has been sent out to the public to keep a look-out for the missing cars. They are a Singer nine-horse-powered saloon, No. 4126, and an Austin 10 Saloon, No. 3791.

Anyone possessing information regarding the whereabouts of these two vehicles is requested to communicate with the Traffic Police. Traffic-inspector S. C. Saunders told a "Telegraph" reporter: "This sort of thing is getting worse and worse."

STRAIN AND TERROR

According to information obtained from the survivors, stated Commander McElligott, all the thirteen were in one group, and life-saving apparatus was thrown to them. The three missing persons weakened and disappeared.

Because of the strain and terror, the survivors later could give no coherent account of the time of their disappearance. A survivor, the wife of one man who is suffering from a head injury, definitely stated that she saw her husband sink from sight shortly after the Cavalier struck the water. The steward is also believed to have been seriously injured.

In view of this, it is believed that further search for the three missing people will be futile, and it will be discontinued after dark to-day.

NO HOPE NOW

The Baytown is now travelling full-speed for New York with the survivors of the Cavalier aboard.

The commander of the vessel radioed that doctors had examined the survivors and had decided that they were able to await full medical attention when the ship arrived at New York, which she was expected to do at 1 a.m. on Monday.

The rescuers have abandoned hope of finding the three missing people, a steward named Robert Spence and two passengers, Donald Miller and Gordon Noakes, who, apparently tired of the ordeal of clinging to their lifebelts slipped into the sea.

The tanker's rescue of the other ten survivors climaxed a 10 hours of frantic struggle by the survivors to remain afloat in the heavy seas, who at the same time had to spend (Continued on Page 4.)

NEW BREAK REVEALED Internee Shot in Escape Attempt

ANOTHER ATTEMPT to escape from the Ma Tau Chung Internment Camp was revealed at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Lo Ah-wing, 27, one of the internees, was charged before Mr. E. Himsforth with attempting to escape from confinement.

Inspector H. E. Rogers said the man was shot by one of the sentries on January 9 when he attempted to climb over the wire fence. Five shots had been fired, the fifth was imposed.

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

WOMAN GUEST AT EARL'S PARTY IS VICTIM OF "PERFECT ROBBERY"



Ending traditions of 60 years, New York City closed the Sixth Avenue Elevated structure and soon will tear it down. A new subway is being built under the avenue. Revellers thronged the last train to run, shown above, stripping it of movable parts for souvenirs.

LEGLESS DOCTOR'S DIARY OF PAIN

A LONDON surgeon who, after having his legs amputated wrote, for the benefit of his profession, an analysis of his 15 years of suffering, died at his home recently.

He was 72-year-old Mr. E. B. Waggett, of Cavendish Court, Wigmore Street, W., for many years consulting surgeon to the throat and ear department at Charing Cross Hospital.

In his "diary of pain," Mr. Waggett described how he regained happiness and efficiency after having his legs taken off above the knees.

He recorded his reactions to the "intolerable pain," which had compelled him to take this bold step. He classified three degrees of pain.

"TORTURE RACK"

Degree 1—Possible to control all voluntary muscles, except those of the forehead; had to blink to prevent the whites of the eyes showing. Temples perspired freely.

Degree 2—Comparable to the torture rack. The voice went to an uncontrollable falsetto. Tears flowed freely, but there was neither emotional nor muscular sense of weeping.

Degree 3—No one could endure this degree for many minutes and remain conscious. The vocal cords do not act at all.

He remarked that after having relief for 18 months he found it impossible to re-create the pain in memory.

ALWAYS GAY

Sir Philip Gibbs, a close friend of Mr. Waggett, said: "He was the most wonderful example of courage I ever met. In spite of all his pain he was a man of the most extraordinary cheerfulness. He was always gay and light-hearted."

"When he sat at the table of the council of Charing Cross Hospital after his operation it was impossible to believe that anything was wrong with him. He was a very handsome and fine-looking man. His courage and cheerfulness abashed one."

Asthma Cause Killed in 24 Hours

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TOLEDO BUSY OIL PORT

Although no oil was handled through the port here 10 years ago, it is expected that 1938 shipments may top 1,000,000 tons. Last year, more than 800,000 tons of oil products were handled in and out by lake freighters.

A.R.P. Minister Promises Big Speed-Up

SIR John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Civil Defence, returned from holiday recently to defend the civil defence programme against the attacks which have been launched upon it during his absence abroad.

"We are," he declared, "working on the assumption that there is risk of war within a comparatively short time. But that does not mean we expect war." Deliveries of equipment for defence, originally planned for 1941, will now be substantially completed during 1939.

Coinciding with his statement the Ministry of Health announced that for the purposes of the A.R.P. evacuation scheme the country is to be divided into three groups: a limited number of large, crowded areas from which evacuation is to take place.

"Neutral" areas, not to be evacuated or used for billeting. Twenty of the biggest cities and towns are scheduled for evacuation and 300 boroughs and urban areas are "neutral" zones. The evacuation scheme, it is understood, extends to women, children, and workers in non-essential occupations.

Firemen's Lack Of Equipment

Sir John Anderson in his statement disclosed details of policy and achievement under the following principal heads:

Evacuation.—All arrangements for transport, reception, and feeding are already complete. A scheme complete in every detail will soon be in his hands.

Recruiting.—The gap to be filled in the first line of civil defence is very small.

Air Raid Wardens.—Efforts are being made to create a "corporate sense" which will keep wardens enthusiastic after their training period.

Bomb-Proof Shelters.—Any application for grant by a local authority will be considered on its merits, even though a general policy has not been worked out.

Trenches.—Many authorities have already made their trenches complete. Others are waiting only for suitable weather conditions.

Fire Brigade Equipment.—All deficiencies will shortly be overcome.

National Register.—A compulsory Register as such would be an absolutely useless instrument. The question of compulsory training, as a separate matter, has not been discussed.

SPEED-UP DECISION

"There is," Sir John Anderson said, "a good deal of fundamental misapprehension about civilian defence generally. Until last September the Department was working on plans which contemplated that preparations should be complete by a certain date."

"At the end of that month the Government made fresh decisions which involved a fundamentally different view of the problem—a great speeding up in enrolling and training

£1,200 Haul From Bedroom, No Clue

volunteers and a planned system of evacuation. "Civilian defence has been criticised, I think unfairly, in the Press. In regard to fire brigade organisation, for example, it was not until July, 1938, that the Home Office got administrative control over fire brigade organisation."

"Certain plans were put in hand by the Government and they were to be completed by 1941. Those plans included the provision of equipment to be held in reserve for dealing with fires that might result from aeroplane attacks."

"Under that scheme 21,000 Fire Brigade units were to be supplied. When the position was reviewed, and in the light of the crisis orders had to be telescoped and everything speeded up. It may now be anticipated that all orders for equipment will be substantially completed by the end of 1939, though we had envisaged 1941 as the date for completion. By the end of next week, the number of units whose equipment has been actually ordered will be 17,000, including deliveries already made."

EVACUATION POSITION "There is nothing that could be described as 'muddled'; there has been steady progress on an organised plan. There is no doubt whatever that the fire brigades will have all their equipment needs that they will get all they require for training recruits."

In regard to evacuation, our plans at one end are practically complete. All arrangements for transport are complete—at any rate in London, though there are still gaps in the Provinces.

"During the crisis complete arrangements for looking after refugees could not be made in detail, but I shall soon be in possession of a complete scheme."

Turning to recruiting, Sir John said: "So far as civil defence is concerned, the gap which has to be filled before we have all the recruits we require to form our first line of civil defence is very small."

"But I do not propose to stop after the completion of the first line. I propose to carry on until we have a substantial reserve. We intend to continue and speed up the necessary training and have guaranteed that the local authorities shall be in a position to get all the equipment required."

WATERLOGGED TRENCHES "To suggest that there has been any significant falling off of recruits would be quite false."

"I have no doubt whatever that our arrangements will be complete towards the end of this month and when we have our handbook available we shall have all the recruits we require to complete the first line."

The "campaign" in regard to the unfinished trenches had, he suggested, been largely overlooked by the disinterested public of the country.

The Home Office had, however, reviewed the matter and drawn up its specifications. The matter was one for the local authorities, who had in many cases been subjected to enforced delays through abnormally bad weather.

POLICE at the Earl of Iveagh's country mansion at Thetford, Suffolk, are investigating a robbery which reads like a problem in a detective novel.

Jewels, furs, and cash valued at £1,200, the property of Lady O'Hagan, a guest, vanished within a period which has been narrowed down to two hours—and there is no trace of the house having been forcibly entered.

Windows were searched in vain for finger-prints; flowerbeds yielded no footprints.

Elveden Hall, the Earl's mansion, was the scene of one of his shooting parties during the week-end. Other guests at the party were Lord and Lady Ellistley, Lord O'Hagan, the Hon. A. E. Guinness (the Earl of Iveagh's son), Sir Douglas Malcolm and Lady Malcolm, and the Countess Hochberg.

JEWEL CASE MISSING

After dinner Lady O'Hagan, who lives at Ickworth Lodge, near Bury St. Edmunds, went to her bedroom in the west wing of the house to leave her fox fur and noticed that her rough crocodile-skin dressing-case which contained her jewels and money was in place.

Two hours later, she again went to her bedroom and found furs and dressing-case gone.

The Earl of Iveagh telephoned the police, and Supt. Hammond, of the Newmarket division, West Suffolk police, and other officers reached the hall in vain for a clue.

Supt. Hammond visited the hall, questioned members of the staff, and sought the help of members of the house party.

GATES OPENED The watchman heard, nothing unusual, but another employee at the hall believed he heard a car travelling along the drive at about 2.30 a.m.

He expected it to stop at the main entrance gates, which he had closed, but it went on to the main road. On investigation the gates were found to be open.

At each corner of the hall the Earl of Iveagh has installed powerful floodlights as a precaution against burglary at night. These were switched on as usual.

The Earl said: "I have put the matter into the hands of the police and do not want to hamper their inquiries."

Lady O'Hagan is the second wife of Lord O'Hagan, who for three years was a Lord-in-Waiting to King Edward VII. His first wife died in 1931.

Banker Victim Of Nazis Escapes, Surrenders To English Police

NAMES of important people in Germany were handed on a slip of paper to Mr. Dummett, Bow-street magistrate, recently, as those of friends of a German banker, aged thirty-nine, who had given himself up after being smuggled to British.

His name was given as Siegfried Simin Gemblick. According to Mr. Maurice Abrahams, defending him, he still bears the marks of "terrible lashings" received during nearly three years in German concentration camps. He is said to have been of the financial adviser in Germany to a European royal family.

"Gemblick has several influential friends in Germany, and they arranged for his escape," said Mr. Abrahams. "He was smuggled across the frontier in a car to Holland."

Gemblick landed at the London docks from an unknown Rotterdam steamer at three a.m. on Tuesday with £50 in English money in his pockets. Accompanied by a lawyer, he gave himself up at Bow-street aliens department.

Mr. Abrahams went on: "Mr. Gemblick was a banker living in Germany and an ex-serviceman who volunteered although under military age to fight for Germany. He was first arrested in 1935."

"I understand that for six months he was in prison, although no charge was actually made against him. At the end of that time he was released and, I have no doubt as to the measure of confiscation, a fine of one and three-quarter million schillings (£270,000) was imposed."

"TORTURED" "When he was released he was immediately seized by the secret police and taken to a very terrible concentration camp, and for the first six months he was tortured. I am told that he still bears the marks of the lashings he received there."

"He was put in an oil bath for two or three weeks, so terrible were the wounds inflicted."

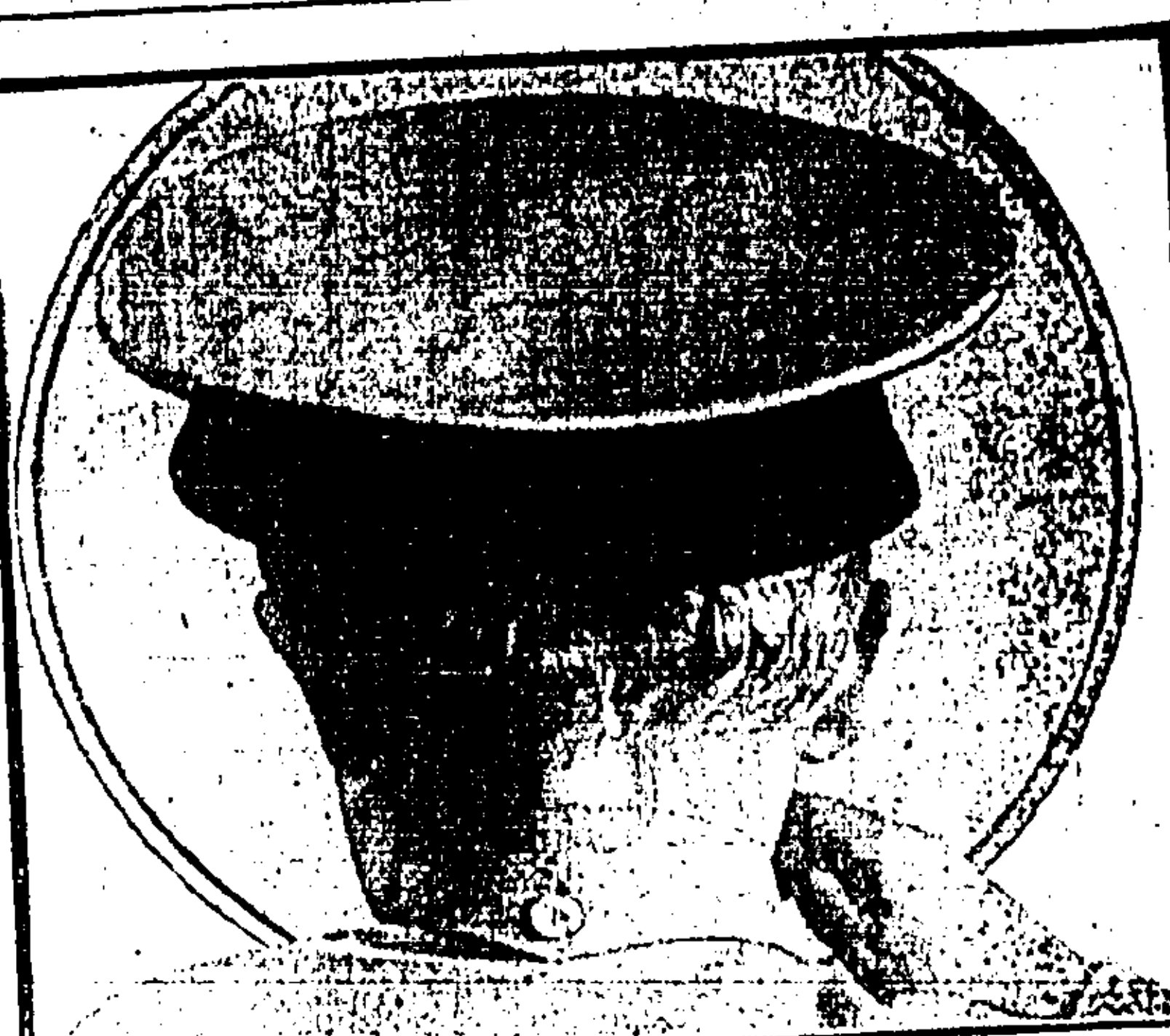
"From then until November last he was in a camp at Dachau, the reputation of which is well known."

"After his release in November he moved about Germany, afraid to stay in one place."

"He heard that he was to be taken to a concentration camp for Jews which had a very bad reputation even among such camps."

"There is no question of Gemblick being a public charge on this country. He has banking friends who are trying to arrange for his emigration to the United States."

Mr. Dummett listened to the story of Siegfried Gemblick. Then he said: "If his story is accurate, and he is supported by reliable testimony, it will be easier for the court to know how to deal with him." He adjourned the case for further inquiries, and gave Gemblick bail.



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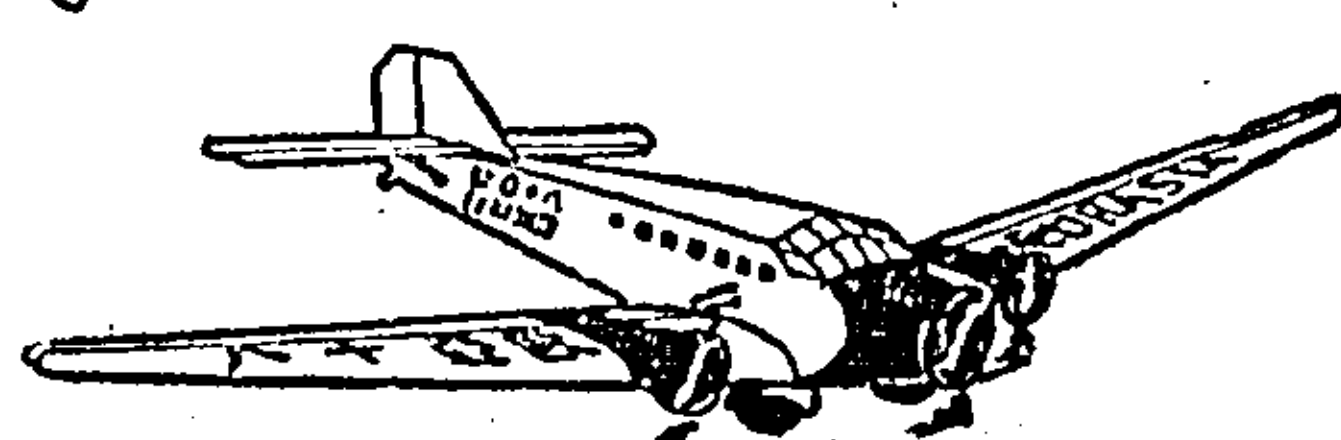
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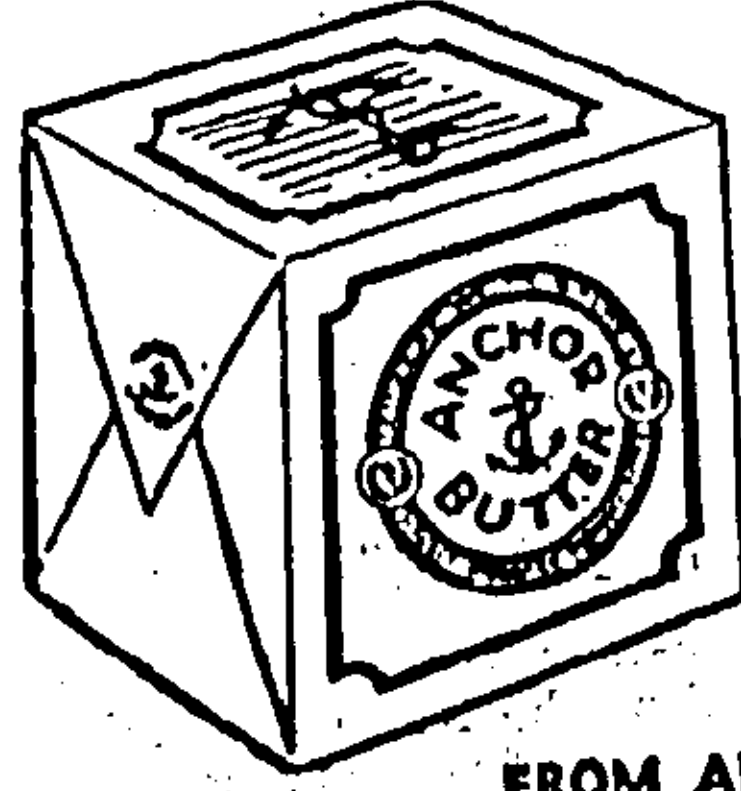
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MAN WITH SPLIT-MIND LIVED 'IN REVERSE'

War-Time Air Raids Did It

TWENTY-FIVE-YEARS-OLD Frederick Kendall, of Chaucer-road, Herne Hill, S.E., had dual personality—two minds, one of which was always undoing the work of the other.

Frederick Kendall, in fact, lived largely "in reverse." That was the result of war-time air raids when he was a child. It made him do queer things—things that he didn't want to do.

For instance, according to his father—

He did the opposite to what he was asked.

If requested to close a door he would do it—then open it.

He would give presents to people, would take them back to give to someone else.

Recently Kendall was found unconscious in his bedroom with a length of gas piping from a jet running underneath the bed-clothes.

"MIND OF 12"

Experts stated at a Southwark inquest that Kendall's mind was equal to that of a child of 12.

The coroner, Mr. A. Douglas Cowburn, recorded a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind when suffering from dementia praecox, commented: "It has been said that crimes have been committed by persons suffering from this trouble without them really knowing what they have done—in other words, dual personality."

Mr. Eric Robinson, his brother-in-law, said: "As a child he lived in terror of air raids. Perhaps it was this fear that brought about his dual personality."

"Every night he locked his bedroom door."

"One of his peculiarities was his habit of following his mother all over the house. He was devoted to her, but his devotion seemed more like a dog's. He could not bear her out of his sight when he was at home."

"All through Christmas he acted perfectly normally, and we thought he had overcome this dream-like personality. Something must have happened to his mind."

HORROR OF DOCTORS

Mr. Robinson added that his brother-in-law had a horror of doctors, and would never go for treatment.

"To take the other side of his personality, he was a good workman, he used to come home regularly, and there was never any question of his losing his memory and wandering."

It is typical of a certain type of mental disease that the sufferer entirely lacks all sense of what action is appropriate at the moment because, owing to his split mind, he is less interested in the affairs of the ordinary world than in his private thoughts.

Club Has Sex Equality

Melbourne. A club of 100 members at Melbourne University has established sex equality by a provision prohibiting its male members from buying tickets for women at student entertainments and its women members from allowing their escorts to pay for them.

Punch To Jaw Breaks Ankle

Boston. During a fist-fight Lewis Thornhill, 53, was punched so hard on the chin that he suffered a fractured right ankle. He declined to name his assailant.

The Biggest Customer

BRITAIN bought £6,000,000 worth of "munitions," mainly military and civilian planes, from the United States last year. Britain was the largest purchaser. China spent £1,836,000 and France £1,300,000.

The figures are given in the annual report of the National Munitions Control Board.

BAN SUCCESSFUL

It is also revealed that the appeal by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to American aircraft manufacturers not to export planes or bombs to countries whose armed forces are accused of bombing civilian populations has been almost completely successful in preventing such American supplies reaching Japan.

Mr. Hull's appeal was issued on July 1, and since that date exports of aircraft to Japan have been negligible, although they totaled £1,800,000 in the first six months.

In Four-Leaf Clover Ellington, Conn. Mrs. Leon Parker has enough to last a lifetime. She picked more than 400 of them during the summer months.

Wreszynski Spent £300,000 on Jewels, Kept Them in a Safe in Park Lane

WEST END jewellers were discussing recently the jewels which were once owned by Mr. Siegmund Wreszynski, the one-time Park-lane financier now awaiting trial on an accusation of fraud in an Amsterdam gaol.

Among the things they recalled were these:

In 1933-34 Wreszynski owned more than £300,000 worth of gems which he kept in a specially constructed spherical safe concreted into the wall of his home; in 1933 he bought, for £58,000, the famous Porter-Rhodes diamond.

They remembered, too, that Mr. Wreszynski was regarded as one of the leading connoisseurs of jewellery in Europe.

Mr. Wreszynski bought in Paris, in one go, more than £100,000 worth of jewellery a few years ago.

QUEEN VICTORIA SAW IT

The Porter-Rhodes diamond which he bought in 1933 was discovered in South Africa in 1880. After it reached England, Mr. Porter-Rhodes took it in a sealed envelope through a snowstorm in the early days of 1881 to show to Queen Victoria. It is recorded that she was "greatly fascinated by it."

Wreszynski bought it in Paris and Mrs. Wreszynski wore it as a ring. The diamond, when first discovered, weighed 150 carats in the rough. It became a polished one-inch stone weighing 56 carats. It is now in the possession of an Indian Maharajah.

This stone was only one of the many valuable gems Wreszynski bought for his wife. There was a perfect black pearl, weighing 92 grains, costing him £35,000 in Paris. It was set in a ring.

Mrs. Wreszynski had a black pearl necklace for which more than £24,000 was paid. There were 45 pearls in it, the largest weighing 56 grains. Each pearl was separated from the next by a flat faceted Rondelle diamond.

At the same time Mr. Wreszynski bought a rosy pearl necklace weighing 1000 grains for £32,000.

Egg 8 1/2 Inches Long Berlin, N. Y. An over-size chicken's egg, eight and a half inches by eight inches, is being exhibited in science classes at the Berlin Central school. In addition to a double yolk, the huge egg also contained a second egg measuring six inches in circumference.

Afternoon Tea Praised Montreal. Afternoon tea is a definite aid to health, Dr. I. M. Rabinowitch told the McGill Chemistry Society here. Dr. Rabinowitch said drinking of a cup of tea during the afternoon had a definite value in keeping the efficiency of the body high.



Secretary of State Cordell Hull, giving one of the keynote speeches at the Pan-American conference in Lima, Peru, declared an embargo on totalitarian theories, in behalf of the Western Hemisphere. His assertions were in accord with those of Jose Maria Cantillo, Argentine Foreign Minister. Above, Mr. Hull at the microphones.



A delightful photograph of Elva Rosemary, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Skinn, of Hongkong, who recently married Lieut. O. J. F. Lockwood St. John R.N., at St. Anne's Church, Kew Green.

Links With Elizabeth, Ellen Terry

A FEW years ago it was feared that Tudor Cottage, Small Hythe, Kent—for the last 25 years of her life the home of Dame Ellen Terry—might be taken to the United States.

The interest the National Trust is now taking in its preservation removes this danger and will, it is hoped, ensure the retention of the whole property as a memorial.

In addition to the delightful old house with its rose garden and big Elizabethan barn—annually serving as a theatre for memorial performances—there are cottages dating back to the reign of Henry VII.

TOLLGATE, TOO

With an old toll gate, the group of timbered dwellings in its rural setting represents a little piece of old England.

Miss Edith Craig, Dame Ellen's daughter, told how she had arranged an Ellen Terry Museum in the house—known to have been standing in the reign of Queen Elizabeth and now "quite a place of pilgrimage."

"In one room I have got together everything I could find in relation to the Terry family," she said. "In another the Elizabethan kitchen, with its great brick fireplace, are gifts received from Mrs. Siddons and Garrick."

"My mother's bedroom has been kept exactly as it was when she died."

\$4,000,000 Cinema Deal

ODEON Theatres, Ltd., become the biggest cinema chain in Britain by the purchase from Odeon Cinema Holdings of a further 82 theatres, of which 66 are at present operated by Odeon Theatres under management agreements.

The announcement of this deal, made by Philip Hill and Partners recently states that the capital amount involved exceeds £4,000,000.

The finance of the project has been privately arranged by Philip Hill and Partners, and no public issue will be involved.

It is understood that Mr. Arthur Rank and Mr. Leslie Farrow are joining the Odeon Board.

The announcement also makes reference to the £30,000,000 deal between Odeon Theatres, Ltd., and the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, which has been in progress since October. It is stated:

"Odeon Theatres are proposing to make an offer to the Ordinary shareholders of the Gaumont-British Corporation and other negotiations are proceeding to acquire the holdings including the voting shares of the Ostrer group."

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Steamboats	18 n.
Indo-China	24 n.
Indo-China	24 n.
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Waterboats	19 n.

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Wharves	116 n.
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Docks (new)	17.20 n.
Providents (old)	6 n.
Providents (new)	5.50 n.
New Eng. Sh.	5.60 n.
Shia. Dock, Sh.	100 n.

MINING

Kallian	16.70 n.
Ruhs	0.35 n.
Yam	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	7 1/2 n.
Antoniols	49 n.
Atolls	35 1/2 sa.
Bague Gold	28 sa.
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Coco Grove	51 n.
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Gummau	1.84 sa.
San Manuile	21 sa.
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H.K. Electric	57 1/2 n.
Sandakan Light	10.10 sa.
Telephones (old)	23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	8 n.
Traction	25 n.
Singapore Pref.	20 n.

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DRAMATIC STORY OF RESCUES IN MID-ATLANTIC

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their waning strength crying for assistance.

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But the next approaching ship was the Baytown, and the survivors' cries in the darkest of the night were heard, resulting in boats being lowered and the survivors rescued.

PILOT IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Radio messages from the Baytown indicate that at least Captain Alderson is in a critical condition. The Baytown is racing into a storm and the northern gale is increasing in intensity, which is expected to delay the arrival of the vessel in New York until 10 a.m. on Monday.

Several of the Baytown crew are also suffering from exposure and injuries. It is revealed that one of the Helibots overtopped and that it was necessary to lower another one in order to rescue the men.

The rescue of the Cavalier survivors was effected in the nick of time.—United Press.

SEARCH CONTINUED

New York, Jan. 22. Plans are being pushed ahead for the intensification of a search at dawn for the Imperial Airways flyingboat, Cavalier, which sank in the Atlantic. The U. S. Navy's dirigible K-2, and nine Army flying-foxes, as well as a large Navy plane are preparing to go to the scene of the disaster. Nine outboard cutters and a Navy gunboat are joining craft already searching the seas.

It is reported that the pleasure cruisers, Monarch, Bermuda and Queen Bermuda, and the steamer Port Washington are in the vicinity. "The area to be combed extends for 500 miles."

A crosswind plane returned after an unsuccessful search in very clear visibility over the area where the Cavalier reported she was landing. Miami reports that Imperial Airways were in communication with the Cavalier at 2:10 a.m. G.M.T., are denied.—Reuter.

THREE MISSING

New York, Jan. 22. Of the 13 passengers and members of the crew of the Imperial Airways flying boat Cavalier which made a forced landing in the sea 250 miles east of Ocean City, Maryland, on Saturday, ten have been rescued by the tanker, Esso Baytown, according to messages received here on Sunday.

Two American passengers and an English steward have not yet been found, and there is little hope of rescuing them.

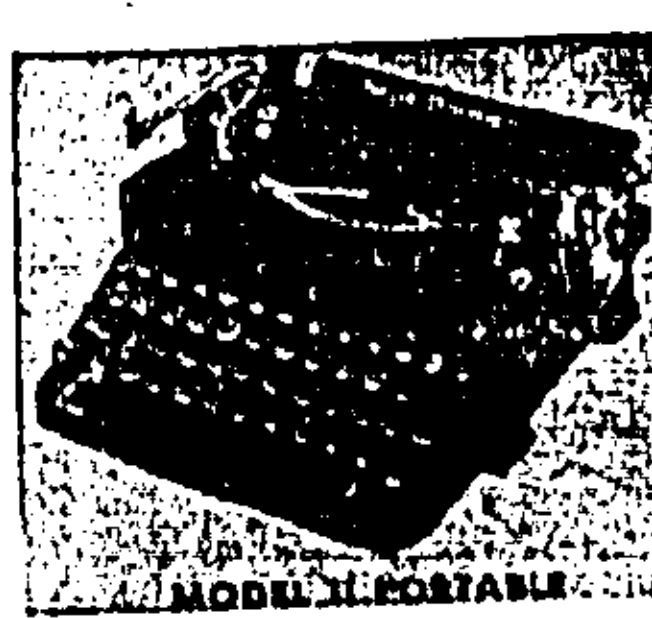
The three fished from the sea were in a state of complete exhaustion, and it is feared that some of them may not survive.

The American destroyer Erie arrived at the scene to-day and has sent a doctor to the tanker.

The air-liner apparently sank shortly after touching the water, because those rescued were floating in lifeboats.—Trans-Ocean.

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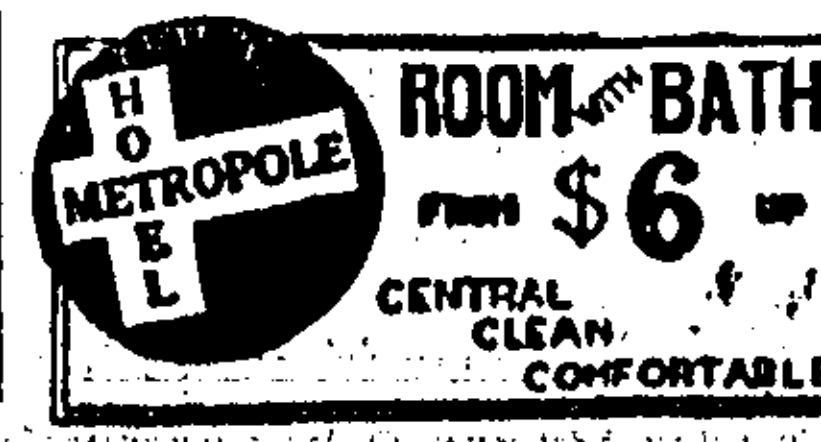


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INSURGENT VANGUARD NEAR CITY

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is at present being evacuated, the archives and furniture being sent to France. Diplomatic circles express the view that after the capture of the Loyalist defence system at Barcelona it will not be possible to save Barcelona.—Trans-Ocean.

MANY REFUGEES

Paris, Jan. 22. One hundred thousand men, chiefly peasants who had sought refuge in Madrid over a year ago, have now again been evacuated into the country, where they will be engaged in agricultural work.—Trans-Ocean.

BELGIAN VOLUNTEERS

Brussels, Jan. 22. Of the 6,000 volunteers of Belgian nationality in the ranks of the Loyalist Spanish troops, not less than 3,000 have been killed, according to the "Metropole." The paper states that so far only 500 volunteers have returned to Belgium and asks what has happened to the remaining 2,500. The paper ventures the guess that they were murdered, behind the fighting lines, by the Loyalists.

The paper recalls that some time ago 33 volunteers, who were considered "stubborn," were sent into an arena in Albarracín to "distribute cigarettes," and were mowed down by machine gun fire.—Trans-Ocean.

ADVANCE ON BARCELONA

Lerida, Jan. 22. The Moroccan Corps under General Yague to-day continued the advance on the Tarragona road to Barcelona, reaching Vallcarlos town where numerous and large armories are situated.

In the north, Insurgent brigades marched towards Igualada on the Vilafraña road, meeting but little resistance.

Up to noon the advance of all troops averaged eight kilometres.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS FOR FRONTIER GUARDS

Perpignan, Jan. 22. The French Government to-night rushed six platoons of mobile guards and reinforcements to the Pyrenees border guard, coincident with the official Spanish Insurgent statement accusing France of opening the frontier to tanks and war material for the defence of Barcelona.

Burgos had announced that three French frontier points had been opened to permit the passage of war materials to the Loyalists in Catalonia, violating the French non-intervention pledge.

However, a thorough tour of the frontier by a "United Press" correspondent failed to find the slightest basis for the Burgos report, particularly the accusation that 22 tanks and several railway cars filled with war materials had entered Catalonia at Cerbere.

Burgos announced that the French frontier had been opened at Cerbere, Le Perthus and Port Vendres, but it is believed that the Burgos allegation is based on a report carried by the extreme Rightist newspaper "L'clair Perpignan" which made similar statements, but provided no proof.

The "United Press" correspondent said that he had investigated at Cerbere and other points, but found no trace of any war materials crossing the frontier during recent days, although a trainload of wheat and several caravans and trucks bearing food to Catalonia crossed the Pyrenees.

It is officially stated that the mobile guards were ordered to the frontier to reinforce detachments already there in anticipation of floods of Loyalist refugees, including soldiers, if Barcelona falls. However, if the mobile guards are insufficient to cope with the anticipated deluge of refugees, several hundred of whom crossed the snow-piled Pyrenees during recent days, military detachments of the 16th Military Area will be used.

ROME ANGRY

A Rome report says that the Burgos allegation of the re-opening of the French frontier brought immediate angry reactions in Rome. Fascist leaders said that the Burgos report meant that the French Government had approved "undercover aid to Barcelona" while outwardly professing maintenance of her non-intervention policy.

Some Italian quarters professed that they saw a "deal" between the Loyalist followers of M. Leon and the Government, whereby the Loyalists had been permitted to organise help for Barcelona, while the Government still professed to be maintaining its neutrality policy.—United Press.

BRUTAL MURDER SEQUEL

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boarding house, who was going to the stream to wash some clothes.

PICKED UP STONE

"On arrival at the stream, the party divided into two groups, one going about 30 feet above the other. Leung Wan did not join them but went about a mile away. The group above consisted of the two accused and Wong."

"After he had bathed, Chan Chun stood on a rock. He looked up the stream at the other group and saw Wong squatting down. There was no quarrel or anything of the sort going on, but suddenly he saw the first accused pick up a stone and throw it at Wong. The stone struck Wong on the head and he was knocked unconscious, falling flat on his back without saying a word."

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The first accused was then a few feet away, and he followed up his attack by picking up two rocks, one weighing 65 lbs., and dropping them on Wong's body and face. The second prisoner then joined in and after this the first accused tore a branch off a tree and beat Wong with it.

"On seeing this, Chan went to the scene, but the first accused turned to him and said: 'This is my affair. Don't you interfere or you will be beaten.' The two prisoners then tied Wong's ankles together and left."

Continuing, Counsel said that evidence would show that the party returned to the boarding house and on the following morning, Tang suggested going to Tsan Wan to look for the party that had gone with him to the stream with the exception, of course, of deceased. The first accused found work at Kwai Cheung Village, while the second, together with Chan Chun, obtained employment at Lo Wai Village. Tang and Tsan Pei-chai failed to find employment, and since then they had not been seen.

DISCOVERED BY HIKER

Wong's body was discovered by a hiker on December 4, and it was later taken to the Kowloon Mortuary. The cause of death, according to Dr. H. H. Tai, who performed the post-mortem examination, was multiple injuries, fractured jaw, ruptured liver and haemorrhage.

At the scene of the murder, Detective-Inspector A. E. Carey found two jackets about 30 feet away from the body. In the pocket of one of the jackets was a piece of paper bearing the address of the boarding house in Yee Kuk Street. Enquiries were at once set on foot at this place, and on the following day Leung Wan went to the Police and volunteered information.

Chan Chun was later located and on the information given the two accused were arrested. When charged the first prisoner said: Tang Lam-mut, Tai Pei-chai and Chan Chun were my friends. I don't know the witness. I have nothing to say. The second accused also replied he had nothing to say.

The case is proceeding.

INSURGENT VICTORY ENVISAGED BY POWERS

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Stanholme and the French vessel Charles Nerche being damaged by bombs.

Reports arriving here to-night state that the Insurgents have landed on the Catalan coast near the city of Barcelona, and that several coastal towns have already been evacuated and prepared for defence.

According to messages from Perpignan, the French authorities are strengthening the frontier guards, several hundred mobile guards having been rushed to Prades and Ceret.

Garrisons are also being prepared on the frontier for infantry on the 16th Corps Area, and troops will be sent there should the situation become serious as a result of the expected flood of refugees.—Trans-Ocean.

"UNJUST" EMBARGO

Washington, Jan. 22. Mr. Henry L. Stimson, former Secretary of State, has sent a letter to Mr. C. H. Hull urging the lifting of embargo on arms to Spain.

The letter has not been published, but the "New York Times" understands that the opinion is expressed that the embargo is most unjust, and is not what the American people and Congress intended.—Reuter.

NEW CHINA LOAN SEEN

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made available through Burma. If any Western trade remains to be done with China, then the possibilities of India as a manufacturing and distributing centre, is due for exploration.

The writer, in taking up the suggestion that the change in the Chinese customs tariffs initiated by Japan may hit tobacco particularly, thus seriously affecting British and American concerns importing large quantities for the manufacture of cigarettes in China, says that if such firms have developed export trade, it might be saved by transferring the manufacture of the cigarettes to India.

"There is no reason why the Chinese export trade in eggs and bristles, to name but two commodities, should not, if it is largely lost to the West, be developed from India's natural resources," concludes the writer.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Popular Resident Dies After Brief Illness

His many friends in the Colony were shocked to learn yesterday of the passing of Mr. Harold Seth, a prominent figure in local business and racing circles, and a member of a family well-known throughout the Far East. Mr. Seth died at the War Memorial Hospital on Saturday evening. He was taken ill only three days before, and death was due to pneumonia.

Born in Singapore, the late Mr. Seth was 57 years of age, and was the second son of Mr. Arathoon Seth, i.e., who was at one time Registrar of the Supreme Court of Hongkong. His brothers were Mr. S. A. Seth, formerly head of the firm of Seth, Manncell and McLure, who is now living in Australia, and Mr. J. Hennessy Seth, senior partner of Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming.

Mr. Seth was a keen sportsman, and was a member of the Hongkong Golf Club, the Hongkong Polo Club, and the Hongkong Tennis Club. He was also a member of the Hongkong Jockey Club, and was a keen polo player, and took a great interest in shooting.

Among his other activities, Mr. Seth had been a Volunteer. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace last year. Well-liked by all, his death has robbed business and racing circles of a popular figure.

He is survived by his widow, whom he married in Victoria, British Columbia, in 1935, and to her and other members of the family, the deepest sympathy is extended.

The funeral will take place to-day, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.15 p.m.

Key Pittman Warns United States

Washington, Jan. 22. Senator Key Pittman, supporting the Administration's argument for a debate to-night, contended that the United States faced the danger of foreign invasion, and said that Herr Hitler's ambition was "never to be satisfied," while the ambition and fixed policy of the Japanese military was to dominate all the Eastern Asia Islands and the Western Pacific.

The Republican, Senator Taft, whose party, it was announced, had appointed a committee of eleven to examine the arms programme, admitted that President Roosevelt's demands were not excessive, but given indications of being in favour of a foreign policy "very different from the mere defence of the United States, and one which, in the end, will require much greater armament."

Mussolini's Gibes At Democracy

Rome, Jan. 22. Sarcastic references to Western democracies and adversaries of Fascism formed the keynote of Signor Mussolini's speech to an audience of farmers to-day.

After saying that their adversaries were too stupid to be dangerous, and that their speeches were full of puerile, enigmatisms and fantastic statements, he added that the French prelate's story that the Vatican had advised France to stand firm.

"I am sure the story is an idiotic one," declared Signor Mussolini. "Stand firm is an easy thing to say, but suppose to-morrow an Italian should be found—and he will be—saying to the Italians that they must stand firm still?"

He mentioned that the present price of wheat will remain unchanged for the 1939 harvest, which he hoped would be a good one.—Reuter.

Fair To Post News

San Francisco. From an 8x10-foot cinema screen world-wide news bulletins will be flashed hourly at the Christian Science Monitor Building throughout the entire duration of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition.

Malaria Rampant In Fukien

Foochow, Jan. 22. Malaria is rampant in southeastern Fukien. There are about 16,000 sufferers at Anki, 12,000 at Tehwa, 80,000 at Tainking, and 80,000 at Pullen.—Central News.

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Java and Manila	Tingnara	January 24
Strait	San Heuts	January 24
Manila	Gnclsenau	January 25
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 18th January.	Imperial Airways Plane	January 25
Japan	Kilano Maru	January 25
Strait	Perscus	January 25
Japan	Shirala	January 25
Tientin and Swatow	Hoihow	January 25
Manila	Roseville	January 25
Shanghai	Tegelberg	January 25
Japan	Toyama Maru	January 25
Japan and Shanghai	Bhutan	January 25
Hong Kong	Canton	January 25
Strait	Conte Verde	January 25
Japan and Shanghai	Haruna Maru	January 25
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 7th January)	Emp. of Canada	January 25
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What Next?

IT is difficult to keep pace with the map of Europe these days. Last year we saw Austria absorbed by Germany; the Reich, Poland and Hungary helped themselves to chunks of Czechoslovakia; and a further slice of Spanish territory has been bitten off by the Fascist rebels. More recently there has been agitation in Italy for Nice, Corsica and Tunis; now comes a clamour for Ukrainian autonomy and the cession of Memel to Germany. It is uncertain, however, how far the present agitations are to be taken at their face value.

No doubt the Duce will not refuse Nice, Corsica and Tunis if he finds he can have them for the asking; but it is more probable that, by making these impudent and impossible demands, he hopes to get belligerent rights for Franco, a share in the Suez Canal and control of the Djibouti railway.

The Ukraine

GERMANY, it is equally probable, secured autonomy for Ruthenia under the new name of Carpatho-Ukraine so that it might be used as the spearhead of an advance, if the time came, into the Polish and Russian Ukraine; but there is little need to suppose that Germany is planning immediate expansion in that direction.

The fact seems to be that both Germany and Italy are searching round Europe for the lines of least resistance. When they have found them, they will strike.

It is therefore important that the totalitarian Powers should be convinced that the line of least resistance is not to be found in the British and French democracies. In both countries there is needed a reassertion of the national will. Superficially the dictatorships may appear to be having things all their own way, but actually their imposing facade hides many and growing weaknesses.

TAKE MY advice. Take no notice of all this bunkum in the papers about "appeasement."

The policy of appeasement may be all right in Europe, but it definitely doesn't work in Hongkong—not in the home at any rate.

I know, because I tried it on my wife the other day with dire results. It was all through the suggestion of that arch-idiot "Waffles" McTurbot. You have probably met the fellow. He is a "teller" in the bank. I don't know what it is he tells in the bank, but he can certainly spin a pretty lolly yarn outside.

In fact it was through listening to one of his ridiculous stories at the Club the other night that led to my missing the last ferry home, and, incidentally, to poor old Aunt Prue getting assaulted and losing an ear.

I FORGET the exact gist of his story, but I remember it began with an account of how, out hiking one day, he came face to face with the brute off with a walking stick. Then he went on to tell me of an exploit of his when he chased a bear in central Africa—or a bear chased him—I am a little hazy as to the details. I can only recall that his tale was an interminable one, and that he did not seem to be bored. He had it not been punctuated with such bright remarks as "What about the other half?" "Let's have one for the road!" "We'll have a Dox and Doris" or "Now for the dammedest!"

TIME MARCHED on—and so did his story.

It may possibly have been due to the mellowing influence of the "Lacrima Christi", but when the boy had to delve into the wine store for fresh bottles, I began to see Waffles in a new light. He might not be such a bad fellow after all, even if he did slightly over-fancy himself as a big game hunter. Anyhow, what were the odds? Didn't we all exaggerate a little at times. I began to think myself of the occasion when I—who prided myself on being a shrewd trader—had once compared my wife's voice to the cooing of a turtle dove!

Yes, Waffles distinctly had his good points.

Time still plodded on... another cork popped... I continued to ruminate... then I looked at the clock!

NOW YOU DON'T know my wife as well as I do, or you might understand my feelings at that moment.

I jumped up. "Waffles, old dear," I said, "I'm in for the most unholy row. I promised to be home early to-night. Look at the time! It's all your fault. What are you going to do about it?"

"That's all right, old dear," he replied, "when you get home try a little 'Lacrima Christi'."

You will observe that his speech had become somewhat blurry, and I'm really convinced he was already half-foxed. As for myself, I admit beginning to feel a little frisky, but I maintain that—in spite of anything the number one boy may tell you—I was not drunk.

"What do you mean by appeasement?" I asked.

"Appeasement is what's necessary when you meet the dragon. All you have to do—"

"I drew myself up. 'Waffles McTurbot!' I said, 'please don't call my wife a dragon. As for you, like, but I forbid you to use the word 'dragon'. If there is a streak of chivalry in you—which I very much doubt—you will never refer to a lady in such odious language!'

From the silence that ensued I began to hope that he had taken my reproof to heart, but his next remark only proved that the fumes of the "Lacrima Christi" were still omnipotent in that very small cavity where by rights his brain should have been.

"All right, Geoffrey, old bean," he said, "all I was saying was that you should try to appease this jolly ole asp of yours."

I THOUGHT it better to humour him a little.

"How do you mean—appease her?" I asked.

"As simple as falling off a log. Take her a box of candy, Geoff. The dragon—pardon me... asp—will be tickled to death, and there'll be no rift in the matrimonial lute... good night that, 'conchito'!"

"Have some sense, Waffles," I urged, "Your suggestion has its merits, but where on earth am I going to get candy at this time of night?"

"That's where ole Waffles can help you. Here's a box of candy with 'Demodemon' (that's his wife) and a tin of blashkts for Bashful" (that's his dog). "You take the candy, you need it more'n me, and I'll take blashkts for Bashful."

"Thanks," I answered, picking up one of the parcels. "Your generosity touches my heart!"

I'VE GOT A DOG WHIP

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Owner

By GEOFFREY SUCKLING



FIVE MINUTES LATER we were in the street, and Waffles, who had volunteered to see me as far as Blake pier, insisted on walking in the middle of the road—"following the white line" as he called it—down Pedder Street. This in spite of my trying to prove to him—even going so far as to take measurements—that the pavement was wide enough to accommodate two persons abreast.

"At any rate we've got fine moon to help us," said Waffles. "That's not the moon, you chump!" I replied, "That's a street lamp." "Of course 'snot lamp. It's moon." I began to get rattled.

"I'll bet you five dollars it's a lamp," I said.

"I'd be shame to take the money, 'cus I know it's moon, an' how can we shettle argument anyway?" Ah, here comes a gen'man can help us."

And, going up to a man approaching in evening dress, he raised his hat and said:

"Excuse me, Sir, but my fren' an' I are havin' a lil argument. He bets me that the light in sky's lamp, but I shay it's moon. Will you kindly shettle argument for us. What ish that light up there?"

The stranger peered upwards. "Which one?" he asked.

I MENTION THIS incident just to show you that Waffles and I were not the only ones who had been quaffing that night.

Mind you, I myself was not drunk—merely a bit elevated, that's all.

Arrived at the pier, we hailed a walla walla, and it was while getting into the damn thing that I slipped. I must have made a mighty splash. I entered the water, for as soon as I broke surface again, I heard that mumbled as on the wharf about—

"Hi! You can't drop your hook there. You'll foul the government cables, an' the Harbour Master'll be after you."

"You be fool!" I spluttered, as still clutching my candy, I scrambled back on board. "That was not the anchor that dropped, it was me!"

The chug of the engine mercifully drowned his shrieks of raucous laughter as we sped across the harbour.

ARRIVED ON my door-step, I made my way cautiously up the stairs. (Can you tell me why stairs creak and groan so in the middle of the night? I never notice it in the daytime.)

I quietly slipped the key into the lock. Most probably Isabella would be asleep, and I could get to bed without her hearing me.

All was serene. So far, so good! I would undress in the dark.

Presently, in the old familiar tones, a voice rang out:

"For goodness sake, switch on the light and get to bed. I shall have something to say to you at breakfast time."

I switched on the light.

"Everything's okay dokey, my dear," I said. (Why on earth does one's tongue run away like this when one is doing one's best to assume an air of sobriety?)

"I have been having a most interesting discussion with Mr. McTurbot at the club about the latest—here I took a deep breath—"anschluss."

"Stop sneezing," said the voice, "and get to bed!"

She looked at the clock. "So this is how you keep your New Year resolution to stop drinking!"

Distasteful or not, dissemble I must. "Honey," I replied, drawing myself up to my full height, "ever since the cock crew twelve on New Year's Eve I've been a teetotalitarian. (Damn those newspapers!)"

The voice spoke again. "Instead of leaving pools of water all over the floor, you had better take your clothes off."

I still had my trump card to play. "I realise that appearances are against me," I said, in accents that only a Court missionary could properly appreciate, "but I had a slight mishap in the harbour. Although on the point of drowning, I refused to relinquish possession of this," I produced the parcel, "which I present to you as a slight token of my gratitude for many years of wedded bliss."

That should have done the trick. Did it?

The first thing I knew was a dog biscuit whizzing dangerously near my head.

In the army we were taught that excited men fire high, and it seems that, luckily for me, excited women also fire high, for a veritable fusillade of biscuits followed the first about an inch above my head.

Instead of me, my poor old Aunt Prunella's picture got the full blast. Amid the crash of falling glass, I counted each missile as it whistled through the air. One, two, three, four... ten, eleven, twelve—a dozen. That must be the last of her ammunition.

"Kamarad!" I said, advancing with my hands up, "I surrender."

Bill! I must have miscounted. I felt a stinging blow on my chin. It made me realise for the first time what powerful teeth a dog must have. Clutching my jaw, I crept into bed.

LEAVING THE OFFICE next day, I thought I would have a "quick one" before crossing over.

At the entrance to the club I found Bashful sitting on the mat.

I groaned.

I entered.

"Hullo, old comrade of adversity!" was Waffles' greeting. "What about a hair of the dog that bit you?"

Ah, I'm so sorry. I see that any reference to dogs is distasteful. I can guess what has happened, but tell me the worst, and break it gently."

"Waffles," I said, "you're a skunk of the lowest water. You..."

"I know, I know," he cut in, "and my heart bleeds for you. But remember I also have my cross to bear. You know my Desdemona—the sweetest and gentlest of God's creatures. Well, even she looked a trifle glum this morning when she discovered a box of candy in Bashful's kennel. As for that asp of yours..."

GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"You shouldn't have told him we were married—he's an old family friend and he feels hurt because he didn't marry us."

"Asp," I interrupted, "may be a suitable term for cross-word puzzles, but it falls far short of the mark in describing Isabella. Forgive my remarks yesterday. In future, Waffles, I give you full liberty to refer to my wife in whatever terms you choose."

"Comel comel!" said Waffles. "So it's as bad as that? Well, I suggest that under the circumstances the only thing to save your amour propre is a horse's neck—and allow me to do the dispensing."

"Waffles McTurbot," I answered, "although I feel that I am lowering myself by drinking with you, you have certainly struck the nail on the head when you mention a horse's neck! Make it a stiff one, and let's hear no more of this appeasement business."

After the liquid had permeated, the situation seemed to clarify somewhat.

THE WHOLE QUESTION, according to Waffles, now resolved itself on what were the best means of regaining my status quo with the wife.

And then it was that he made the confounded proposition that, appeasement having failed, I should try the "dictator" attitude.

"It's as simple as falling off a log," he said. "All you have to do is to get primed up a little—leave that part to me—and then, when you go home to-night, you do the heavy stuff with Isabella. You'll be surprised at the result."

I certainly was.

"We'll get busy with the priming straight away," he continued. "Falling vodka—which this benighted club doesn't seem to possess—we will have to fall back upon some of my 'just-like-mother-makes-them' cocktails."

Whereupon, taking charge of the bar, he began producing his vile concoctions.

I argued, I protested, I wavered, and finally gave in.

It was when we got to what he called his speciality, the "Shaulk-wan Hair-Raiser," that I began to fancy myself in the role of dictator.

After the third, Waffles asked: "How do you feel now, old bird?"

"Not so much of the 'old bird'!" I retorted. "If you want to know how I feel, I feel just about ready to throw you head first across the harbour. You warm?"

"Banzai! that's the spirit! Off you go now before the effect wears off!"

"Aren't you coming with me?" I asked. "I'll do the Hitler stuff, and you be Mussolini in the background."

But he didn't seem to relish the idea. Shaking his head, he fetched a dog whip and handed it to me.

"Take this," he said. "You may find it useful for emphasizing the salient points in your conversation."

"But what about Bashful?"

"Oh, Bashful can do without it for a day."

"Well, cheerio Waffles," I said in parting. "I'll see you to-morrow."

"I hope so!" he replied, putting a little too much emphasis on the word "hope" for my liking.

ON THE STAR ferry I took the opportunity for a trial run of the dictator business.

I strode into the non-smoking compartment, aggressively filled my pipe, and blew out clouds of smoke. No-one took any notice. I put my foot on the seat. Still no-one complained. My scheme augured well!

Arrived at the flat, I barged up the stairs, rattled my keys, and threw open the door. "Wench!" I shouted. "Get up at once and get me some supper!"

No reply.

I entered the bedroom and, brandishing my whip, I strode over to the bed.

"Do you hear me, wench?" I thundered. "Get me some supper!"

Still no answer.

I peered into the bed.

It was empty.

Planned to the pillow-case was a note. I read it:

"Owing to your disgraceful behaviour last night, I have gone over to stay with Aunt Prue until Sunday (to give you time to come to your senses). I am bringing Aunt back with me for tea on Sunday afternoon. Do not fail to be present! You will find your supper on the top shelf of the ice box."

What a pretty kettle of fish!

At least I would enjoy my supper in peace. Perhaps there would be some lobster mayonnaise, or a little cold chicken. I was beginning to feel peckish.

I opened the ice box.

There on a plate were a few broken dog biscuits!

Waffles seems to be avoiding me. I'm looking for him. And Aunt Prunella is coming to tea on Sunday!

GUERRILLA FORCE NEAR SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Jan. 23.
CHINESE TROOPS in large numbers are steadily pouring into the country surrounding Shanghai, forcing isolated Japanese outposts again to resort to drastic defensive measures.

Sporadic fighting broke out almost nightly during the past week between the guerrillas and the harassed Japanese.

On the night of January 21, at about ten o'clock, gunfire became clearly audible in the down-town districts of Shanghai, indicating the proximity of the guerrillas to the heart of the city. More than a dozen blockhouses, for the hiding of the guerrillas, have been erected by the Japanese in the western district and the south Chinese native city. Communications are entirely suspended in the Kaohsiung Arsenal district, the favourite place of guerrilla activities.

JAPANESE WITHDRAW

The bulk of Japanese forces at Pootung, according to military intelligence, are once more withdrawn to the railway line, leaving the country to the control of the Chinese partisans.

Along the Bund at Nantao, Japanese forces are now centred at the South Station and the Shanghai High School, while troops movements are busy along the Shanghai-Minhang highway.

In the meantime, large numbers of wounded Japanese from the various fronts are streaming back to Shanghai. About 200 of these war victims are daily being moved from Hongkew to the Chungshan Hospital at Fenglingkiao.—Central News.

FIGHTING NEAR SAMSHUI

Szwei, Jan. 23.
An artillery barrage was laid on the Chinese positions at Old Samsui, Chongkang and the vicinity, opposite Samsui, 30 miles west of Canton, on Saturday. No damage was caused.—Central News.

CHINESE CAPTURE FUYANG, YUANG

Kinhuwa, Jan. 23.
Chinese forces on the north Chienkiang front, crossing the Chienkiang River, have recently recaptured Fuyang and Yuang, and are pressing steadily eastward on Hangchow, according to military despatches. Chinese vanguards from Yuang, the same reports state, actually penetrated into Kungchenkiao, three miles north of Hangchow, and issued notices that they would re-enter Hangchow before the end of the Lunar Year.—Central News.

ACTIVITIES IN KIANGSI

Wanchiaofu, Jan. 23.
Chinese guerrilla activities in northern Kiangsi have been intensified during the last few days, military reports received here indicate. A guerrilla unit staged a raid on the Japanese at Shihao, about 10 miles south-west of Kiukiang, on January 18. Fighting raged till last Saturday, during which many Japanese were killed.

Last Friday, the Japanese pushed towards Chungking in the vicinity of Kuling in an attempt to clear the place of Chinese guerrillas. When they reached the foot of Mingshan, near Chungking, they were waylaid by the mobile fighters, and suffered heavy losses during the fighting.

Reinforced by 300 troops, the Japanese staged a counter-attack on the Chinese the following day. The Chinese offered strong resistance, challenging the invaders to hand-to-hand combats several times. The Japanese were finally defeated, leaving scores of dead bodies and a large quantity of military supplies behind. The railway track between Shihao and Mahulling along the Kiukiang-Nanchang line has been damaged by the guerrillas.—Central News.

SURROUND CHEKIANG TOWN

Kinhuwa, Jan. 23.
Chinese forces are encircling Chungking, on the west bank of the Taihu Lake in northern Chekiang, according to reports just to hand. They have also cut the land and water communications between Chungking and Waihuang, well-known silk producing town south-east of Chungking.—Central News.

University Faculty Present Shaw Play

The Great Hall of the Hongkong University was filled to capacity on Saturday night, when the Faculty of Arts students presented George Bernard Shaw's delightful play, "You Never Can Tell," the proceeds of which are to be donated to the China Medical Relief Association.

The production was in the capable hands of Mr. K. W. Sater, while Messrs. H. L. MacKintosh and Hung Kai-chiu acted as Stage-Managers, and Messrs. Edmund Sun and Cheng Tung-choy handled the business side. The cast was as follows:
Mr. Valentine Mr. Leslie Sung
Mrs. Valentine Mrs. Josephine Chiu
Philip Clendon Mr. Lim Koo-yao
Yessie Cranston Mr. Wu Hui-tak
Finch MacComas Mr. Luk Mang-hoy
William, the Waiter Mr. Yu Shuk-siu
Second Waiter Mr. Oswald Cheung
Haid Mr. Ouyang-hong
Mr. Dolhu Mr. Ouyang-hong
Miss Clendon Miss Rose Pau

Miss Leung Sheng-chi has been appointed to be a member of the Nurses Board for a period of three years, with effect from December 10, 1938, vice Mrs. Wong Chow Fuk-ying, resigned.

APPEAL ON BEHALF OF CHINA

GENEVA, Jan. 20.
LORD CECIL, in his capacity as chairman of the International Peace Campaign, issued an appeal to-day on behalf of China for international assistance in her war of resistance against Japanese aggression. Lord Cecil's appeal was issued in respect of the League Council's resolution on the China question.

Local Cecil urged closer co-operation between the member states of the League in lending aid to China to enable her win the war. He also appealed to international public opinion to uphold China's cause and to condemn Japanese aggression.

Lord Cecil pointed out that China is not only fighting for her own national sovereignty, but is also waging a war to safeguard international law and order and world justice and righteousness.

APPEAL TO DEMOCRACY

Lord Cecil appealed for the co-operation of Great Britain, France, and the U.S.S.R., the three most important Powers in the League, and the United States, to ensure that whatever promises given China are carried out in parallel and simultaneous actions, including moral and financial assistance.

Lord Cecil stated that although the United States is not a member state of the League, her signature in the Nine Power Pact and her deep-seated interest in the Far East call for joint action with the major League Powers in regard to offering aid to China.

Lord Cecil applauded the financial aid Great Britain and the United States are extending to China, and hoped that similar assistance will be forthcoming from other nations. He also hoped that these nations will ban the export of arms and ammunition to Japan and also the import of Japanese goods to their own countries.—Central News.

C.B.S. DANCE NEXT MONTH

The dance for former pupils of the Central British School will be held in the School Hall on Saturday, February 11, from 9 p.m. as advertised. Tickets are \$1.50 including light refreshments.

Information regarding the dance can be obtained from Miss M. Heap, Mr. W. Mulcahy (Central British School), Miss I. Woolley, c/o Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, and Mr. P. Wilson, c/o Dodwell and Co.

GUARD FOR ROYALTY

**Women To Appear
In Court To-day**

LONDON, Jan. 22.
TWO WOMEN arrested in Manchester and charged under the Explosive Substances Act, will both appear in court on Monday. Special police precautions following the bombing outrages, have extended to Sandringham, where the King and Queen, and other members of the royal family are staying.—Reuter.

NO COMPROMISE

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The London "Daily Herald," says that there is now no further room for doubt of Japan's vast imperialistic designs in Eastern Asia.

In his despatch, Mr. Hirota's speech as an announcement to the world at large of her intention, under the pretext of stabilisation, to bring under her own control, the whole of China, and of age may send in, and full allowance will be made for age.

The Austrian Government is now awaiting the answer to a Note addressed to Germany, demanding assurances that the German Government will check the flow of arms and munitions.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

We understand that the Viceroy is taking vigorous steps to oust the foreign residents from Kuling. A despatch has been addressed to all the Consuls in which some very specious arguments were advanced against converting Kuling into a health resort.

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D.B.S. Ex-Student Goes To Prison

John Winch, 24, unemployed, an ex-pupil of the Diocesan Boys' School, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when convicted on two charges of larceny from the School on January 16 and 20.

Detective Sergeant Morrison prosecuted, and said a trap was laid for the pupils of the school after some clothing had been stolen on January 16. Winch was caught leaving the school on January 20 with two articles of clothing.

Six articles of clothing were stolen on January 16, and Winch was actually wearing a pair of the stolen pants when caught on the second occasion.

The total value of the articles was \$77.

Fukuoka Disaster

Tokyo, Jan. 23.
So far 65 dead, and a large number of injured have been brought to the surface after a coal-mine disaster in the province of Fukuoka.

Rescue work, it is stated, is extremely difficult. The fate of 70 miners is still uncertain.—Trans-Ocean.

money and propaganda across the Austrian frontier.

Falling an unequivocal reply to the Note, the Austrian Government plans, it is understood, to appeal to the League of Nations.

R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve Expansion

London, Jan. 22.
The Air Council has announced the immediate expansion of the R.A.F. volunteer reserve by the formation of aircraft crew and ground sections, recruitment for which begins forthwith.

The aircraft crew section has been formed for training volunteer reservists as observers, wireless operators and air gunners for the multi-engine aircraft.

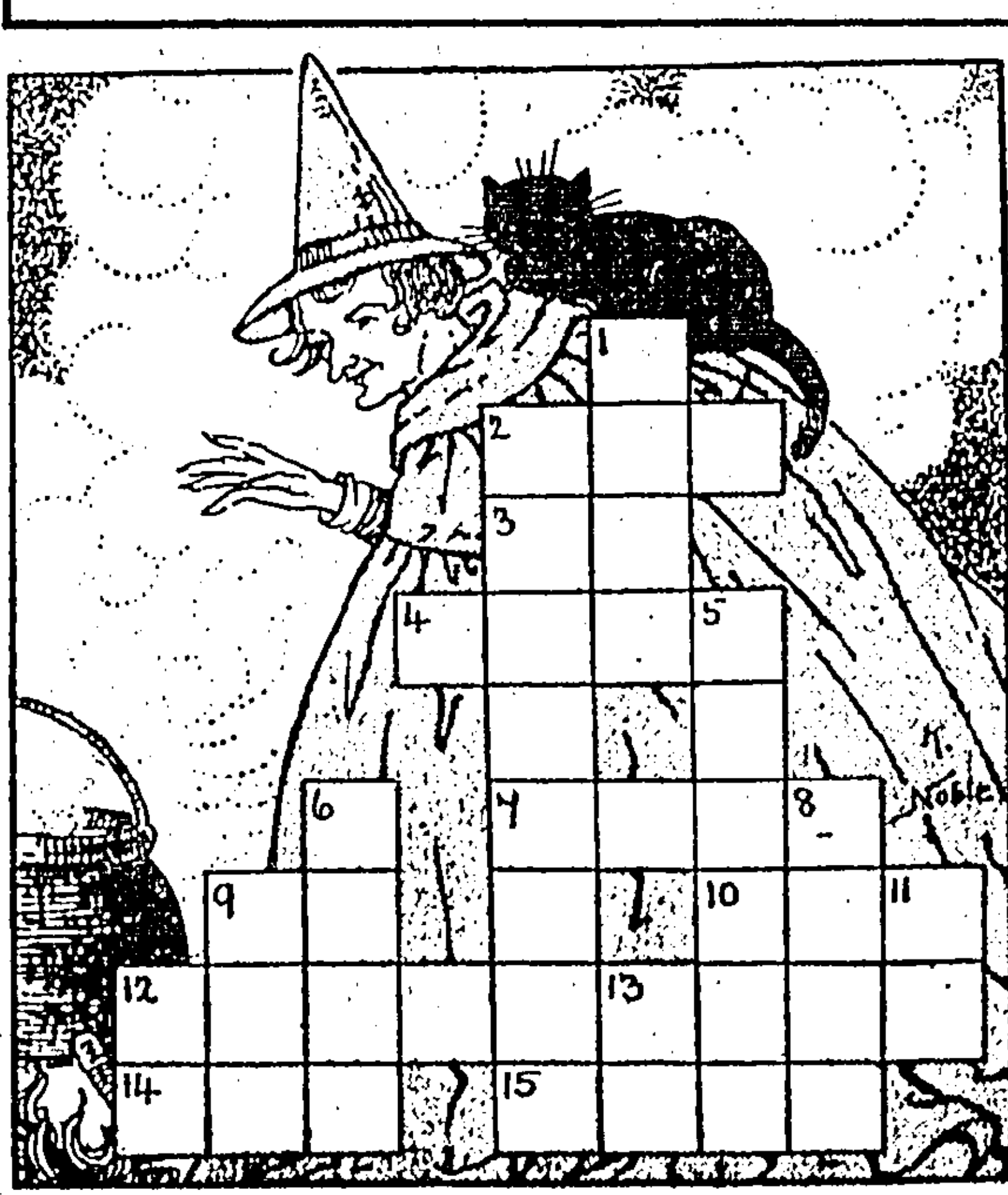
The ground section includes aircraft hands, fabric workers, motor drivers, etc.—Reuter Special.

LONG SERVICE TERM

London, Jan. 22.
The Air Ministry announces candidates for short-service commissions in the air force in future will be given an opportunity for a longer period of service on the active list, namely six years instead of four, if they so desire.

The upper age limit for applications from civilians is to be raised from 25 to 28.—Reuter Special.

Girls' and Boys' Corner



This entry is all my own work.

NAME AGE.....

ADDRESS

Owing to pressure of space on Saturday, the competition in the Girls' and Boys' Corner was not given. It is being published to-day and, as a result of the delay, the closing time has been put forward to noon on Thursday.

The competition is a clueless crossword. The words below are not clues, but the actual words to be filled in. Here are the words:—Across: Nest, Ate, Halloween, Nuts, Cat, To, Via, Dead As. Down: Fat, Diet, Cauldron, Sale, Shaves, Ha, Last, We, An. Ink or pencil may be used. The

HEAVY AIR RAIDS ON SHENSI CITIES

HEAVY AIR RAIDS on China's interior were continued throughout the week-end by Japanese naval and military planes.

A "Central News" message states that over thirty civilians were killed when 15 bombers raided Wolan, a railway centre between Sian and Chongchow.

About fifty buildings near the railway station were totally demolished, the report states.

The Japanese planes appeared in close formation at 11 a.m. According to Japanese claims, bombs were dropped on the Chinese First Division Headquarters, station buildings and factories and warehouses in both the old and new cities.

Other cities in northern Shensi were visited by Japanese bombers yesterday, severe raids being reported at Yenian and Lochwan.

Big Drop In U.S. Cotton Exports

New York, Jan. 22.
According to the Department of Commerce the 1938 cotton exports were 4,316,000 bales, valued at \$224,300,000, compared with 5,783,360 bales in 1937.

Exports to Britain declined by 47 per cent. to Germany by 60 per cent. and to France by 38 per cent. A Washington report says that the United States has already sounded out Brazil on the proposed cotton conference, and Brazilians are stated to be willing to participate.

The conference idea was also discussed informally with representatives of Egypt and India. The Egyptian reception is said to have been favourable, while India is reported to be cool towards the suggestion.—Reuter Special.

Deadlock Persists In Tientsin

Chungking, Jan. 23.
The conversation between the British and French Concessions and the Japanese authorities at Tientsin concerning the "blockade" enforced by the latter remained deadlocked during the week-end, according to a message from Tientsin.

Despite the inconveniences caused by the Japanese, so far no acute food problem has arisen in the Concessions and the authorities expect to be able to "carry on" for some time to come.

All people entering and leaving the Concessions are subject to strict search by the Japanese as before.—Central News.

Assassination Attempt In S'hai

Chungking, Jan. 22.
A new shooting incident took place in Shanghai yesterday afternoon, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

Four unidentified men broke into the house of Chen Ning-chao, a merchant in the French Concession. One of them whipped out a revolver and shot at him. He was hit in the stomach by a bullet. All the men escaped.

The motive of the shooting is yet unknown, but it is alleged that Chen has recently bought a large quantity of Japanese goods.—Central News.

Japanese Warships Mass Off Pakhoi

Kweilin, Jan. 23.
The number of Japanese naval vessels near Welchow Island off Pakhoi in the Gulf of Tonkin has been increased to thirteen yesterday. They include an aircraft carrier and a destroyer.—Central News.

His Excellency the Governor has approved the promotions of Second Lieutenant John Watson to be a Lieutenant and Second Lieutenant George Frederick Rees to be Lieutenant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

schottische alude
scintilla retrievable
starculture allure
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

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R. NAVY BEATEN IN LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION

CHINESE WIN IN SPITE OF MUCH WEAKENED SIDE

MANY INJURIES DURING SPEEDY SOCCER MATCH

(By "Abe")

Despite playing with a very much weakened team, the Chinese nevertheless managed to defeat the Navy in the Lai Wah Cup on the Club ground yesterday by four goals to one. The margin of victory rather flattered the Chinese, however; for they were certainly not that much better than the sailors. All the five goals were scored in the second half.

A fast pace was maintained throughout the whole encounter. There were a lot of hard knocks and many players had to leave the field for attention. No quarter was asked for, and none given.

The feature of play in the first half was the speed in which the ball travelled from one side of the field to the other. Both sets of defenders were right on top of their form at this stage, and had no difficulty in keeping out the attackers. Nevertheless, though the Chinese backs seemed to be sturdier than Bellis and Still, it was Tam Kwan-kon, the Chinese goal-keeper, who had the more work to do of the two custodians. However, he was very safe with everything he did and certainly enhanced his prospects of being picked for the Colony team to meet Malaya next month.

TWO ABLE SUBSTITUTES

The Chinese were lucky in that they were able to put two backs in the field who played as well as Mak Siu-hon and Lee Tin-sung have ever done in the past. In Ho Yung-sung and Lo Wai-kuen, the Chinese yesterday had two very steady defenders who time and again averted danger for their side with hefty first-time kicks. It was perhaps just as well for the Chinese that Ho Yung-sung was in such splendid form. Thorburn and Hunt were the chief danger to the Chinese but Ho and Chang Chung-wan, the right-half, more often than not had them under control.

On the whole, the half-backs were well-matched. The two pivots, Dixon of the Navy, and Leung Wing-chiu, of the Chinese, did a prodigious amount of work, but though the two Chinese outside forwards, Hau Ching-to and Chan Ping-to, were too fast for the Navy wing-halves, they were unable to make use of this advantage. Neither could centre the ball with accuracy, and Hau made things worse for the Chinese by his tendency to get himself into off-side positions.

The Chinese had bad luck in the first half when Lee Wai-tung, who led the forward-line, hit the post with Hazard well-beaten; but they had only themselves to blame when Hau Ching-to, with only the goal-keeper to beat, kicked the ball over the bar, and when Cheuk Shek-kam did likewise shortly after.

WEAK NAVY FORWARDS

The Navy forwards were unable to get going. Thorburn was a hard-worker and made many open-

ings for his colleagues, but none of them seemed to pack a shot capable of beating Tam Kwan-kon. Spiller and Armstrong, the right-wing combination, failed to shine and Hendy was never able to elude the attentions of Lo Wai-kuen and Leung Wing-chiu.

At half-time, the score-sheet was blank. The second half started sensationally. The Navy forwards took the ball down in line style and almost scored, but play swung over to the other end and after a free kick in front of the Navy's goal, Chan Ping-to got the ball into the net from a rebound. There was a mass of players in the goal-mouth, some lying down and some standing up, but when they sorted themselves out, it was discovered that Bellis, the Navy right back, and Cheuk Shek-kam, the Chinese inside right, had hurt themselves. The game proceeded with both men out of play.

The Navy continued to make determined attempts to score and were rewarded when Thorburn took the ball across the goal-mouth and scored. His shot was deflected slightly by a defender and this beat Tam Kwan-kon.

In the next minute, the Chinese were ahead again. Sweeping down on the Navy half, they looked as if they meant business and the movement culminated in Chow Man-chi sending a high shot to the corner of the net. Hazard, who appeared unslighted, jumped for the ball too late.

Encouraged by this success, the Chinese dominated play and only the determined defence of the Navy backs kept them from adding to their score.

The Navy forwards, however, were unable to make headway and only Hunt and Thorburn looked dangerous.

FURTHER GOALS

The issue looked safe for the Chinese when Hau Ching-to was sent away by Lee Wai-tung and scored, just beating Hazard to the ball. Lee himself added a fourth a few minutes later.

With this lead, the Chinese packed their goal. If the Navy forwards had found it difficult to score early on, they found it much more difficult now; but to their credit they kept on trying and were unfortunate not to reduce the deficit. On at least one occasion the ball hit the wood-work on its way towards goal.

One little criticism I would like to make regarding the handling of the

(Continued on Page 9.)

Scotland Beats England In Fine Rugby Tie



THEY GOT THEIR MAN.—A Scots player brought down by the opposition in the International Rugby Tournament match on the Club ground on Saturday between England and Scotland. The Scots won by 16 points to 11.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

WINNERS' HALF-BACKS IN SPLENDID FORM THROUGHOUT GAME

(By "Fly-Half")

One of the best games to watch this season was played on the Club ground on Saturday when Scotland defeated England by 16 points (two goals and three tries) to 11 points (a goal, a penalty dropped goal and a try) in the final of the International Rugby Tournament.

The Scots certainly deserved their victory as they were superior in most departments. Boe and Grieve generally outplayed their opposites. Askwith and Watts, the scrum, were mainly ruled by England, for whom Siller hooked excellently. In all other departments of forward play, the Scots had the best of things. It was chiefly from the line-outs that Scotland kept the backs well-supplied with the ball. In the loose mauls, the Scots were quick in getting the ball back for Henderson to whip it out to Hutchison.

On Saturday's display, Henderson was superior to Talbot. The workmanlike way in which he caught awkward pass-backs from the line-out and sent the ball out to his three was delightful. Talbot was given very little scope with the result that his passing was done hurriedly and, at times, wildly.

A FIELD DAY

Hutchison had a field day. His defence and attack were of exceptionally high standard. Bidwell, who was marking him, on the other hand played much below form, probably due to his having to play in the unaccustomed position, to him, of stand-off half.

Watts, who was brought in to fill the vacancy made by Lang's inability to play, and subsequent re-arrangement of the English team, played hard and on occasion displayed a fast turn of speed. Askwith was much subdued, being well marked by Grieve. All wing three were given very little to do. F. O. Thomas impressed with some very determined running.

Both full backs were rather on the slow side and seldom got near an opponent who had broken through. In fielding and kicking, both Brown and Catlow were safe.

Right from the kick-off, the game was played at a very fast pace. Contrary to expectations, it was Scotland, not England which benefited from the open style of play. It paid the penalty for not taking the man with the ball. Times on end, Boe was allowed to sell dummies and sidestep without an English player making any earnest attempt to tackle him.

HARD KNOCKS

The numerous knocks received by players bore witness to the hard way the players went for the ball. At one stage of the game, two players, Henderson and Bosanquet, were stretched out. Henderson apparently had cramp, but Bosanquet was badly hurt. He had to be carried off. It is now learned that the injury is no more than a bad bruise.

Bidwell opened England's account by a dropped penalty goal. In a

short time after this, Boe dummied his way past Askwith and Bidwell to touch down right behind the posts. Watson failed with this surprisingly easy kick. Next, Thomas got off the Scottish right wing to touch down well out. Watson redeemed himself by converting with an excellent kick. Bosanquet replied for England with a try scored not many minutes before half-time.

EXCITING FINISH

Hutchison valiantly his way through the English defence to score an unconverted try not long after the resumption. Bidwell let Watts off in grand style for the latter to score an unconverted try.

With the score 11 points each, excitement ran high. Henderson broke through to score a clever try in favour of Scotland. Hutchison received a shoulder injury not long after Henderson's try and left the field, and Bosanquet had to be carried off with a back injury.

Crawford was drawn out of the Scottish pack to play inside-three and Grieve moved up to stand-off. Redman took over Bosanquet's position.

Grieve capped a good afternoon's display with a smart try which Watson majored.

The game was refereed by Lt.-Col. Linton, and the teams were: England—Lt. Catlow (Medway), D. L. Bosanquet (Club), W. E. Grieve (Club), O. Askwith (Dainty), A. B. Bethell (Eagle), H. D. Bidwell (Club), Lt. Talbot (Medway), Sgt. A. W. Siller (Club), J. R. Evans (5th A.A.), P. Berry (Middlesex), W. E. Poore (Club), Lt. Ogle (Medway), Lt. Doby (R.S.) and J. Redman (Club). Scotland—J. T. Brown (Club), D. H. Stewart (Club), W. E. Grieve (Club), L/C. Boe (R.S.), F. O. Thomas (Eagle), J. Hutchison (Club), J. R. Henderson (Club), Lt. Hutcherson (R.S.), Captain, J. H. Dunnett (Club), K. A. Watson (Club), L/C. Sutherland (R.S.), L/Cpl. Ross (R.S.), Lt. Medway (Club), J. G. Taylor (Club) and Lt. Crawford (R.S.).

WELSHMEN SPRING A SURPRISE

Wales sprang a surprise by defeating Ireland in the preliminary game by five points to three. The Irish three were unable to get into action due to the keen marking of their opponents. The Welsh were best served by their forwards, amongst whom Boddington, Stark and Walkden were prominent in the loose. Hain, Bousfield and Page played well in the Irish pack.

Potter kicked the penalty goal for Ireland. As a result of a Welsh forward rush, Walkden came into possession and scored a try, which was converted.

INTERPORT TRIAL

The following have been invited to take part in the Interport trial at 4.30 p.m. on the Club ground next Wednesday, following which it is hoped to select the Colony side to meet Malaya on Saturday, February 11:

Probables: Paym, Lt. J. E. Stevens (R.S.), H. Stewart (Club), O. Askwith (Dainty), W. E. Grieve (Club) and D. L. Bosanquet (Police R.U.F.C.); Lt. W. Elliot (Eagle) and Lt. E. B. Talbot (Medway); K. A. Watson (Club), K. W. Siller (Club), 2/Lt. N. H. Hutcherson (R.S.), A. B. Bethell (Eagle), Lt. G. P. Enslin (Medway), Lt. M. Anderson (Medway), A. J. G. Taylor (Club) and Lt. R. E. Crawford.

Reserves: MacGrath (Club), Lt. M. J. P. Walters (Medway), H. D. Bidwell (Club), Lt. P. S. Skelton (Medway), D. L. Bosanquet (Club), J. R. Henderson (Club), L. Roman (Eagle), E. A. Staples (Eagle), A. B. Thimble (Eagle), Lt. Griffiths (Navy), Lt. Boddington (Medway), Lt. P. Page (Club), Lt. Hain (Club), Lt. Bousfield (R.A.O.C.), P. J. Cullinan (Police R.U.F.C.) and P. J. Cullinan (Police R.U.F.C.).

REFEREES' MEETING

The half-monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held in the Offices of the Hongkong Football Association, Room 404, 4th Floor, Bank of Canton Building, to-day at 8 p.m.

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PROMISING MATERIAL AT FIRST INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL OF SEASON

Hongkong Preparing For Encounter With Macao

(By "The Pilgrim")

Some good talent was seen at the Interport Hockey trial held on the Club ground at King's Park yesterday morning. The first-half resulted in a goalless draw between Colours and Whites.

To me the game seemed to be the Colony attack versus the defence. V. Bond and Sommer, backs, with Hook, W. A. Reed and Malik, half-backs, did splendid work in defence for the Whites, whilst S. Fowler, Pritam Nath, Kennedy, Nerain Singh and Partab were efficient in the Colours' attack.

Another man to catch the eye was J. Goncalves, at right back for the Colours. His clearances and constructive play were grand. In the absence of U. B. Souza, young Ribeiro, in goal, gave a splendid performance for the Whites, and though this young player is lacking in experience, the selectors will have to give him serious consideration.

The first half was hard-fought throughout, though Kennedy and Pritam Nath should have found the net on two occasions. G. Fowler, Pyram Singh and G. Singh for the Whites did not combine well in the attack, the last named being handicapped by playing in an unaccustomed position at inside left. However, they were extremely well-supported by their halves.

SECOND HALF

Several changes were made in the second half. Telok Singh partnered Bond at left back for the Whites, and Marques, Parker and Hassan formed the intermediate line. Bartlett, Lauder and Medd were the inside trio, with D. Smith and Miller on the wings.

For the Colours, Benwell replaced Ribeiro in goal, and Sommer assisted Goncalves at left back, with no alteration between the halves and backs.

In this half, the attack, with a reliable half-back line consisting of Hook, Reed and Malik, were seen to advantage, the forwards being more

impressive. Within 20 minutes, Nerain Singh sent Partab away on his left and the latter in turn sent in a beauty which Kennedy connected for a first-timer to register a first-class goal. The Colours added another goal through Kennedy when, during a brilliant solo effort, he beat Goodwin with a nice cross drive.

Bond, Parker and Hassan played a good game in the defence for the Whites, but their forwards were weak, displaying poor combination. The game, however, was an interesting one to watch and it was not quite so one-sided as the scoring might suggest.

I shall comment further and nominate my Interport XI in my notes on Thursday.

There will be a further trial next Sunday morning.

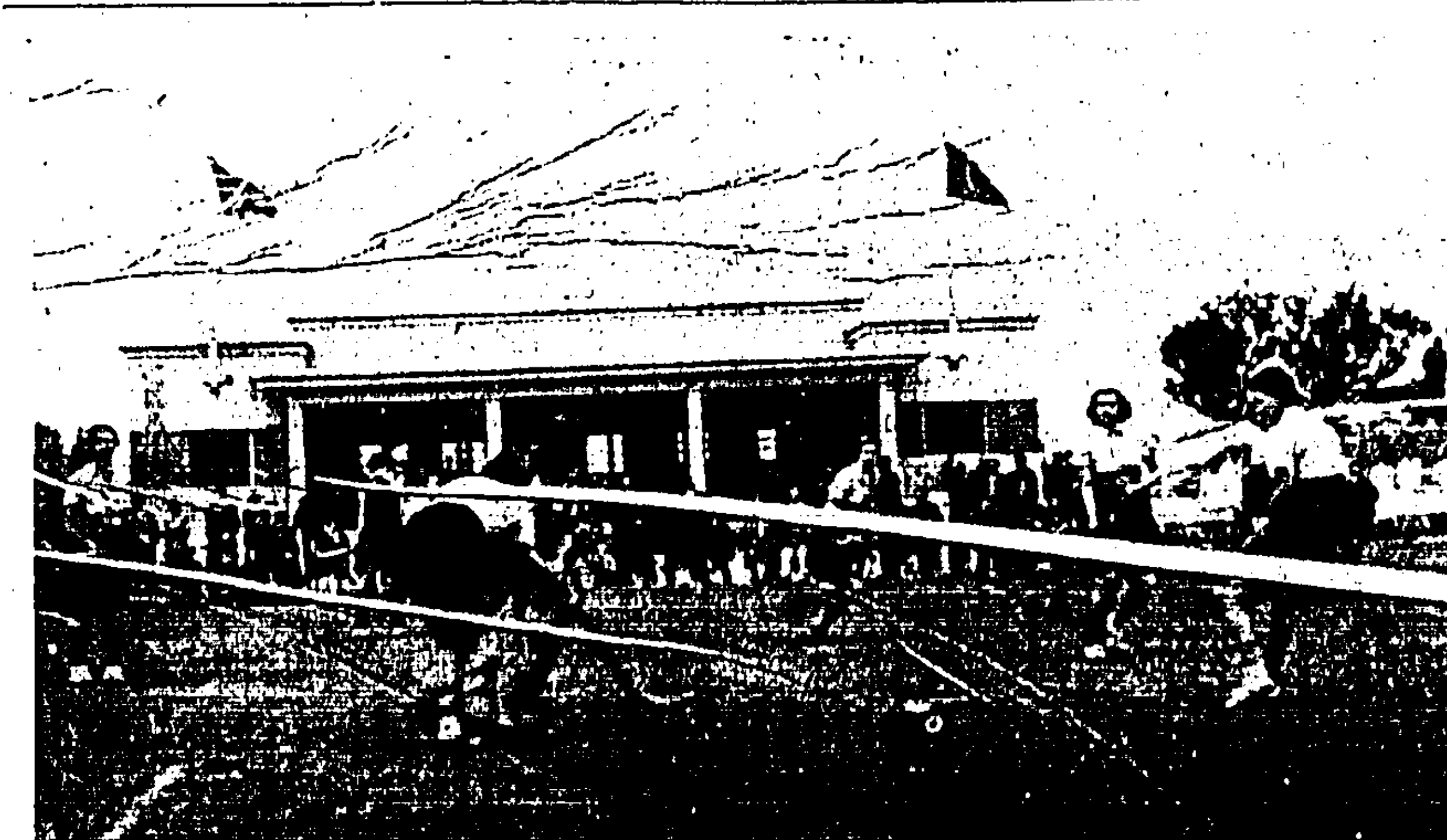
POPE, BAKER AND FAY RESPONSIBLE FOR POLICE WIN

Police junior league cricketers are delighted with their latest addition, B. C. Fay, and well they might be, for he played a notable part in their victory against the Army on Saturday, scoring an unblemished half century, and also showing useful form with the ball.

However, it was the "old brigade"—Pope and Baker—who laid the foundation of the Police victory. They disposed of the Army between them for a mere 55 runs. Pope was very accurate and in taking six for 26, clean bowled five of his victims. Baker obtained three of the remain-

ing wickets for nine runs in five overs.

Police did not start too well, but once Fay had entered, they knocked off the runs with ease. The Police were in their most punishing mood, yet his batting always retained a certain polished elegance, and, judging on this form, he is rather better than the average junior division bat. He made clever scoring shots all round the wicket, and looked capable of scoring as many runs as he liked.



Play in progress yesterday in the hockey match between past and present C.B.A. girls at the occasion of the opening of the new C.B.A. Club-house by Mrs. W. L. Handyside. The club-house can be seen in the background.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

H.K. LADIES DRAW WITH C.B.A. TEAM

(By "The Pilgrim")

The C.B.A. Ladies and the Hongkong Ladies played a goalless draw at King's Park last Saturday in the C.B.A. Cup competition.

Players were somewhat hampered by the hard and bumpy ground, but they managed to play interesting hockey in spasms.

After attacking continually in the first half, the C.B.A. were rather unfortunate in not taking the lead when a terrific drive from Mrs. White hit the cross bar and rebounded into play.

During the second half, the Hongkong Ladies shared the exchanges. Mrs. Dalziel, at centre-forward, was dangerous but in combination with Miss Reeve and Miss M. Smalley, their finishing was poor and as a result the attackers never attained a high standard of play.

The home side went very near to scoring on many occasions, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Ewing forming a menacing right flank combination.

During the closing stages, many a defence would have wilted before such persistent right wing attacks, but Miss Pope, a strong centre-half, and Miss E. M. Grey, a quick-tackling full back, and Mrs. Lanson, a resourceful goal-keeper, covered up with a determination.

The C.B.A. form, and the rear-up to their usual pace, was not so guarded, in consequence, though Miss P. Everest did well.

Play, on the whole, was rather uninteresting. Neither team combined with the smoothness expected of senior teams and a draw was a fair result.

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Eight-Ball Over Recommended For Colony Greater Chances Of A Definite Conclusion

(By "R. Abbit")

Talking over the results of matches in the evening of Saturday last I came across a strenuous adherent of the eight ball over and I must confess he has got me thoroughly talked over. As a girlish enthusiast said to me the other day, I hate draws, and in at least two games on Saturday last, at K.C.C., and at the Civil Service ground, the eight ball over must have brought about a definite conclusion.

The time question cannot be worked out definitely as it depends on whether your bowler takes a long or short run, and on the rate and method of the batsmen's scoring. But it is a mathematical fact that six overs of eight balls equal eight overs of six balls in the number of balls sent down. The two extra balls will take very little time, comparatively speaking, and so you gain all but two overs in eight of the old six ball over. The number of overs under our present rule have been stated to be twenty per hour though, as I said before, it depends on other non-constant factors. That is, eighty in a four hour game, excluding intervals. The gain then in the 8-ball over scheme would be twenty overs less the total time it took to bowl all the extra balls, which I will call X.

COMING TO BRASS TACKS

Now turning to our figures for last Saturday. Seventy one overs in all were bowled in the Club vs Civil Service and the extra bowling over would have been just on eighteen overs minus X. There is little doubt that one more over (and more of that sort) would have done the trick. Now for the K.C.C. seconds vs Craigenpower. In all 60 overs were sent down, and in the proposed scheme the saying would have been a shade over seventeen overs minus X.

For purists let me say I use the word over both as equal to "six balls" and to "the time taken to bowl six balls." Again in the Club second game vs Civil Service no less than eighty-two overs were bowled, where there would have been a saving of just over twenty overs minus X.

CONTRARY MINDED, IF ANY?

Actually the serious objection has always been that the eight-ball over is going to put too much of a strain on the bowlers and especially on the fast bowlers. Well, I don't see any serious bowler here going to be worried by sending down two more balls per over in the space of time that anyone bowls for in Saturday afternoon cricket. The other objection is that it is changing the rules of cricket. Well, the rules of cricket have been changed before now, and this change is peculiarly easy. The first third at least of W.G.'s Cricket was played with a four ball over. Then five balls came in and not so long afterwards the present arrangement came in.

THE CHANGE

I do not think it possible for the League Committee to make the change this season as League matches have already been played. But to my mind it should certainly come into force next season. I do not say that it should be used in Triangular Tournament games, though I think it might well come in there too. On the whole I think it should become the general rule here.

CHANGING THE BOWLING

When talking with my very enthusiastic friend he raised another point—as to the amount of time wasted whenever the bowling was changed. The captain went into a long yarn with the bowler and then people were moved about. Now obviously a captain must consult his bowlers about their field when putting them on, but my friend's point was that each captain knows pretty well not only what bowlers he will use but also what fieldsmen he will have at his disposal, in League matches anyway, of which alone I speak. The idea is that before the match, the plan of the field should be worked out for all the bowlers likely to be used and then circulated to the fielders as well as the bowlers. It may sound a lot but it really should take very little time once a beginning has been made. But I fear it is a thing that will never be done.

These Lovies Go Sleuthing



Supporting Barbara Stanwyck and Henry Fonda in "The Mad Miss Manton" these seven beauties aid in solving a serio-comic murder mystery. They are: (Lower row) Linda Torry, Frances Mercer, Vicki Lester; (Second row) Ann Evers, Catherine O'Quinn, Eleanor Hansen; (Top) Whitney Bourne.

Craigengower Seconds Hold Kowloon C. C. In An Exciting Finish

The most important factors which enabled Craigengower to avoid defeat against the K.C.C., in a junior division cricket match at King's Park on Saturday were the bowling of George Winch, which was so accurate that he kept the K.C.C. scoring well behind the clock during the first hour, and so prevented an earlier declaration, and the stout-hearted batting of H. P. Lim, who for an hour defied all attempts to dislodge him.

Without these two players Craigengower would have been in a sorry plight. As it was they managed to hold out in an exciting finish, the ninth wicket falling in the last but one over with the home side enjoying a lead of 62.

Winch's final figures, 2 for 55, by no means represented his fine bowling during the early phases of the game. He conceded most of the runs in a second spell, when he bowled from the opposite end, and was quite obviously tired. But his first 10 overs had the home batsmen strictly on the defensive. Bowling wide out from round the wicket, he swerved disconcertingly with the shiny ball, and always struck a good length. So quiet did he keep the batsmen that the first 50 runs took an hour to make, and although the rate of scoring increased when he was taken off, the K.C.C. could never catch up with the clock.

Because Craigengower are reputedly strong in batting, the declaration could not be made until 150 runs were made, and this was not until ten minutes past four.

OFFERED SPORTING CHANCE

Even so, the visitors were offered a sporting chance of making the runs, undoubtedly these would have been attempted had not early successes come the way of the K.C.C., which thrust Craigengower back strictly on the defensive. After three-quarters of an hour it was clear that the issue would be whether the visitors could keep in long enough to stave off defeat.

Laurence took a good catch in the slips to send back Ride. Longfield, who had previously taken 6 for 27 leg umpire who gave him not out. The batsman played one to square leg and after he had started for a short run it was seen that a ball had fallen. The umpire, however, was satisfied that McLellan had completed his stroke, and that he knocked off the ball when stepping back to get his balance to start for the run. "or perhaps I should say to get a kick off for his start." Given the facts as stated the decision was perfectly right.

"THE LAST OVER"

Owen Hughes (30), John Pearce (30) and Alice Pearce (24) were chief scorers for the Club. I hear the running of the Pearce brothers between the wickets was masterly.

By Ernie Bushmiller

FIRST ROUND OF JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

The following are the first-round results in the Junior Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club: H. N. Williamson beat J. W. Mayhew at the 10th. N. K. Littlejohn beat R. M. Henderson 3 and 2. J. Forbes beat J. Harrop 4 and 3. C. H. Burton beat T. J. Price 5 and 3. J. L. C. Pearce beat L. M. Wylie at the 20th. W. W. C. Shewan beat C. M. Stark 7 and 5. T. F. R. Waters beat E. Faggiano one up. J. S. Dunnett beat C. D. N. Walker 4 and 3.

BOGEY POOL

The Bogey (Par) Pool, played on the Old Course at Fanning over the week-end, resulted in a win for T. R. Rowell (10) with a score of one up.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"The Baroness and the Butler" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Flicks of this sort were very popular a few years ago, when Hollywood was more influenced by the German film-makers than it is to-day. Here are the adventures of a butler who looks at a baroness. The story, true in itself, is made entertaining by the good work of William Powell, Annabella, Henry Stephenson, Joseph Schildkraut and Helen Westley.

"Disney's Features" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—Ten Walt Disney's features are put together in the same programme for the first time. That this innovation will prove popular with the film public there is very little doubt. Disney's art is refreshing, and here we have some of his most brilliant ideas congregated to provide 100 minutes of fun not only for children but for adults as well.

"The Mad Miss Manton" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Mystery farce which clips and quips along at a smart pace and keeps you guessing most of the time. Miss Manton and some of her duds decide to solve a double murder, putting to shame not only the Police but a young reporter. This is the best mystery we have had for some time. Barbara Stanwyck, Henry Fonda, Sam Levene, Stanley Ridges and others help the action along.

"Everybody Sings" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Fair entertainment, with good music and a comical portrayal by Fannie Brice, which is the best part of the show. Others in the cast are Reginald Owen, Allan Jones and Judy Garland.

"The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—David Selznick scores again with a technical treatment of Mark Twain's boy story. The book's outstanding incidents have been retained, and whether or not Tom Kelly turns out to be the Tom of your imagination he is at least a captivating youngster.

Hockey Club Teams For The Week

The following team has been selected to represent the 1st XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club in the Triangular Tournament against the Royal Navy on Wednesday, January 25, on the Club ground at King's Park. Bully Off 4.45 p.m.: V. M. Benwell; W. G. Schnabel; W. Reed; H. J. D. Lowe (Capt.); W. A. Reed; N. B. Whitley; S. A. Fowler; T. D. Whitley; A. H. Pontius; B. J. Dickford and V. C. Bond. Umpires by the Army.

"A" TEAM

The following team will represent the "A" XI of the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Royal Corps of Signals on the Club ground on Friday, January 27. Bully Off 5 p.m.: W. Brown; J. E. Potter; F. H. Stokes; G. E. R. Divett (Capt.); L. Starbuck; A. M. J. Wright; W. Spencer; R. A. Bates; K. A. Blidman; E. F. A. Morgan and I. P. Tamworth.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) schottische—schfills—soriculture allude—retrievable—allure

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INDIANS' BATTING COLLAPSES Wood And Carless Much Too Good

The Indian R.C. seconds, who performed so creditably against the Hongkong C.C. the week before, came a terrific cropper when they met the Navy seconds, champions of the Junior Cricket League, at Soekunpoo on Saturday and were beaten by 58 runs.

The home players did very well to dismiss the Navy batsmen for only 105 in spite of the fact that the sailors were one man short. But when they themselves went in to bat, they found the bowling of Wood and Carless much too good for them and were all out for 47.

One stage of the game, the Navy did not look as if they would see the 100 mark. They had lost six wickets for less than 50 runs, but A. B. Smith and E.A. Clayton stayed together for half an hour, by the end of which period the Navy stock had risen considerably. Smith gave a hard return catch to Abbas early in his innings but it was not accepted, and he went on to make a painstaking 24. Apart from him and Clayton, nobody else in the Navy team did anything of note with the bat.

Normally 105 on the I.R.C. ground would have been an easy task for the Indians; but those who had thought so on Saturday had reckoned without Wood and Carless.

ALL AT SEA

Wood bowling fastish left-arm round the wicket and Carless, turning from the leg, had the Indians in difficulties from the start. The first wicket fell at 15, the second at 25, the third at 35 and the fourth at the same score. Thereafter little progress was made by the Indians while Carless and Wood kept their pressure on to and from the pavilion. Nine wickets were down for 41, and though A. R. Markar and Y. T. Barma stuck in for nearly 20 minutes for the last-wicket partnership, they added only six runs.

The Indians made the mistake of playing back to Carless, who was keeping a good length and spinning them from the leg. Four batsmen got bowled in this manner, being beaten by the spin.

Wood also was giving a good account of himself at the other end. He kept a good length most of the time, but his speed prevented the Indians from taking liberties with him even when he sent down loose ones.

It was a miserable display by the Indians who had only themselves to blame for this wretched batting exhibition.

Capt. Carless at one stage had taken six wickets for 10 runs and finally finished up with six for 25.

game is that far too many petty infringements were allowed to pass unpunished. As a result dangerous play crept into the game, especially in the second half.

Trans.—Tum Kwan-kon; Ho

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TO-MORROW QUEEN'S

Tennis HENKEL LOSES TO MENZEL IN STRAIGHT SETS

Berlin, Jan. 22. The German covered court tennis championship was won by the Sudeten German, Roderich Menzel, who beat Henner Henkel to-day by 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.

The women's championship was won by the American, Miss G. Wheeler, who beat the Hungarian, Miss Somogyi, 6-4, 6-4.

In the women's doubles, Miss Wheeler and the German, Fraulein Hamel, beat the Hungarians, Miss Somogyi and Miss Kovacs, by 6-4, 6-3 and in the men's doubles, Roderich Menzel and Metaxa beat Goepfert and Beutner 6-6, 6-4, 6-3, 13-15, 6-4.

In the mixed doubles, the Germans, Hamel and Beutner, beat Miss Wheeler and Metaxa 7-5, 6-3, 6-3.

Yung-sang, Lo Wal-kuen; Chung Chung-wan, Lee Wing-chiu; Hau King-shing; Chau Ping-to; Cheuk Shek-kam, Lee Wal-tong; Chow Man-chi and Hau Ching-to.

Navy.—Hazard; Bellia, Still; Honeywell Dixon; Fisher; Armstrong; Spiller; Handy; Thorburn and Hunt.

Is he a "Little Devil"?

SOMETHING in the course of conversation made me tell the story of the little girl who was playing in a farmhouse kitchen when they brought in a dead hare from the harvest fields outside.

When she saw the hare the child wept passionately and refused to be comforted. A little later in the day, when her heart was lulled, her mind became active, and she sidled up to her mother and whispered, "Mummie, please may I go and see the hare skinned?"

"Children," said my friend, "aren't all they are cracked up to be." We were having lunch, and as she spoke she was buttering her toast with a sort of spunking movement.



"Oh, come!" I said. "Surely that depends largely on the parents?"

She gave me an awful look. "Would you call me incompetent?" she asked. "Could you possibly say that I haven't taken every care, followed every guide book to health and child psychology, and, in fact, been absolutely devoted to Meg and Richard since they were born?"

"Tell me," I said, soothingly. "You remember Richard?"

"Of course," I said, remembering him. A good-looking, charming little boy three and a half years old, who would sit for hours on the floor playing happily by himself, and then would suddenly rush across the room to fling his arms round his mother's neck and hug the life out of her.

He used also, I remembered, to fascinate his father with such questions as, "How far is away?" or "When is sometime?"

"A heavenly child," I added, warmly.



"He was," said his mother, not any more. He has become an absolute little devil, and I can't think why. He isn't a baby any more; he is four and a half, and has rather a quick and amusing mind, but I believe the only thing he uses his mind for is thinking up ways to make me mad."

There comes an age when most children seem to try to be naughty.

"Is he jealous of Meg?" I suggested, remembering psychology.

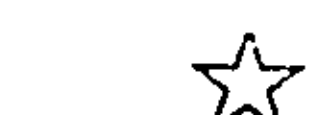
"Not a bit; he adores her; it's the nearest thing about him the way he adores Meg."

"Well, then, is he bored? Does he lack friends of his own age?"

"Why should he be bored?" asked his mother. "He has plenty of friends, plenty of toys, and a normal, happy home. No, he just takes a delight in being deliberately naughty, and punishing seems to make no difference. I've even spanked him, in a mild way," she added in a doubtful tone.

"I don't hold with spanking," I said, pompously.

"You don't live with Richard," said Richard's mother.



THEN she fixed me with a challenging eye. "You fancy yourself with children. What would you do?"

"I don't fancy myself with children at all," I said indignantly, "I'm very fond of children, I like being with them, and if they happen to like me I am immensely without a carter while this is clean-dattered. I want to understand, and won't it be cold?"

them, but that does not mean that I always do. But I think if Richard were mine I should try new tactics. For instance, if he intentionally spilled coal over the drawing-room carpet.

"How did you know?"

"About the coal. It's his favourite trick!"

"It's an old one," I said airily.

"Anyway, if he did that, and then called me to see what he'd done."

"She nodded."

"Well, I would count ten, then spit my teeth and say in a pleasant, rather plying sort of voice, 'Oh, dear, what a mess. I wonder who could have done such a baby trick. I know it could not have been you because you are much too big and sensible for such a silly trick. Come along, darling, you and I will clear it up together.'"

"And if it seems to work, and he smiles suddenly, and I saw Meg and Richard mirrored in her face."



"It is only a suggestion, but you might be able to laugh and wheedle him out of it when scolding is no good. If he thinks you do not care, he most likely won't want to bother to be naughty. I expect he is suffering from mental growing pains and wants to assert himself, in which case he might find your confidence in him worth living up to."



"I SHALL probably have to break, and count forty instead of ten," said my friend, pulling on her gloves, "but I'll try. It's an idea, anyway, and I have none left of my own. Can't children be little devils?"

"Yes, angelic little devils is right," she said.

Iris Stafford
Northcote

The Uses Of Glycerine

GLYCERINE is invaluable in the home, and can be utilised in countless different ways.

When a cloth is badly stained with tea, glycerine, ammonia and water will remove the marks. Mix equal quantities of water and glycerine, with just a dash of ammonia. Soak the stains well in this, then wash in warm soapy water. The stains will vanish completely without any rubbing.

Fruit stains can likewise be treated with glycerine. Rub the stain thickly all over with glycerine, and put the cloth aside for an hour. Then, stretching the material tautly, pour boiling water through it, afterwards washing with soap in the usual way. When woollen garments begin to turn a bad colour, or show signs of getting "felted," add a spoonful of glycerine to the rinsing water.

Shoes that are looking dry and cracked after exposure to the rain and mud will appear as good as new if treated in the following way:—Dry thoroughly, clean well, and rub glycerine into the leather, leaving it to soak for a day or two; then clean with good shoe polish in the usual way, and the leather will be delightfully supple and glossy.

A few drops of glycerine, well heated, and dropped into the ear, make a good old-fashioned remedy for earache that seldom fails to give relief; and a mixture of glycerine and lemon juice, in equal quantities, and slightly warmed, is a splendid cure for sore throats and incipient colds.

Glycerine is excellent for whitening the hands. Mix it with equal parts of lemon juice and eau-de-Cologne, or with soft water in which a little cucumber has been boiled, and apply it every night. People who do much dirty and rough work will find this treatment invaluable.

M. L. B.

Apple Rice Surprise

THE children as well as the grown-ups will want a second helping of this unusually delicious pudding.

Stew one pound of cooking apples in a very little water with two ounces of brown sugar. When they are cooked, rub them through a wire sieve. Cook four ounces of rice in one pint of milk until tender, and let it cool.

To the rice, add the puree of apples, two ounces of shredded suet, four ounces of sugar, the grated rind of an orange, and two well-beaten eggs. If desired, two ounces of chopped peel can also be added.

Turn into a greased basin and steam for two hours. Serve with or without hot pouring custard.

D. E.

Fussing Over Visitors

I AM not one of those people who carp at everything modern and exalt everything belonging to "the good old days." But there is one fault I find among my contemporaries which was certainly not prevalent in earlier times, and that is our lack of hospitality. I do not mean that we resent people coming to see us. No, we are only too ready to tell them to drop in, but the point is we all too frequently take it for granted that it is pot-luck they drop in for. Nowadays there is too much casual receiving of visitors. Once upon a time hospitality was a real art. An evening out was a real occasion and a very enjoyable and memorable experience. Host and guests devoted their attention to their callers and made them feel that they had performed a charming act in coming; further, they exerted themselves to be bright and witty and also supplied some self-respecting refreshments.

You came home after a visit cheered and flattered by the attention you had received. It really brightened life. It spread a congenial spirit among friends, and generated friendship.

The Off-Hand Manner

It is different to-day. Notice how often the hostess—and generally the host, too—is not only informal but frequently off-hand, giving the visitors the feeling that they are something like necessary evils. Warmth is generally lacking.

Of course, I realise that this is partly the result of our modern craze to do away with pompousness and to be informal. But we have carried it too far. We have, at least in our entertaining, become casual instead of informal, and there is a lot of difference between the two. A certain amount of formality and courtesy is all to the good. It makes human contact so much more gentle. The art of entertaining charmingly should be cultivated. I should like to see us putting our best foot forward in the conversation line, if it

happens to be talk which is taking place. If it is bridge, I should like to see all the necessary articles conveniently and pleasantly arranged. And one thing I should particularly like to stop is the habit some hostesses have of knitting or darning sewing when visitors are in the house. It is a different matter when a number of people have met specially to work and are all doing it. Nothing is so conducive to a chilly atmosphere, however, as to have the hostess's eyes and mind away from you and concentrated on a cardigan or stocking.

Tasty Refreshments Necessary

Refreshments should be fresh and tasty. I always have some sandwich spreads and so on in the house, and I can at a few moments notice, produce some really delectable "open sandwiches"—that is, small squares of buttered bread spread with various mixtures. I make these because they are so much quicker to do and are, as a matter of fact, more appetising than three-ply sandwiches. I can always manage these small square sandwiches for unexpected callers, but when I know beforehand that my visitors are coming, then I really like to show what I can do.

Any trouble I take is well worth it. A pleasant evening cheer not only our visitors but ourselves, too, and makes us less reluctant to return to the more humdrum part of life. Further, I consider that any effort made, whether it is a job of work well done, or a good long walk on a cold evening, stimulates the spirit, whereas boredom and monotony play havoc with it. And there is particular delight in a job of work done for pleasure instead of for money.

After all, if you go out anywhere, you really go for the purpose of having some pleasurable distraction, otherwise you might as well stay at home. So let us make it a pleasure instead of what it more often seems, a mere habit, or even a duty.

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COOKING TIPS

BEFORE squeezing a lemon place it for a few minutes in a warm oven. It will then yield twice as much juice.

Greasy soup may be cleared by the addition of a few green vegetable leaves. These quickly absorb any superfluous fat, and may be removed from the soup before serving.

An acid flavour is often noticeable when using tinned tomato pulp or purée in soup. To remedy this, add a teaspoonful sugar to the pan early in cooking.

If in cake making the mixture curdles, a close texture results. To prevent curdling, add the eggs very slowly; to arrest curdling, stir in a small quantity of flour.

Strongly flavoured vegetables, such as winter cabbage and sprouts, are made more digestible if given a few preliminary boilings, and particularly poured. Fill up with fresh boiling-cooked vegetables and steaks.

To ensure that a pot does not boil over, put some cold water on a soup plate. Place this on top of the pan, and cover plate with lid. As steam from the cooking rises it touches the cold plate, which causes it to condense and drop back as moisture. This plan should be adopted moments preliminary boiling, and particularly poured. Fill up with fresh boiling-cooked vegetables and steaks.

To soften candied peel for chopping, soak in mineral water for 24 hours. To retain a soup peel gently in the oven.

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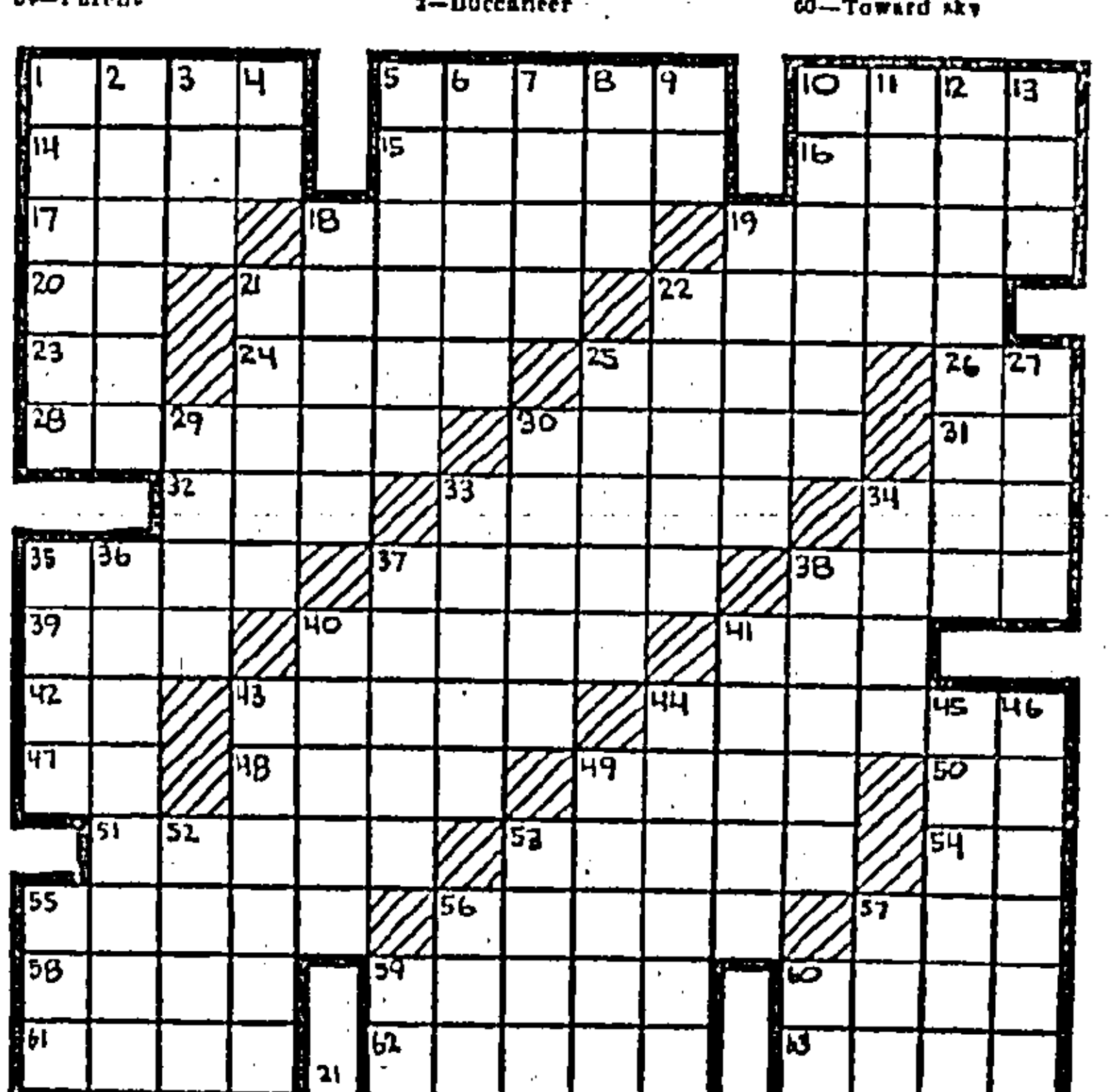
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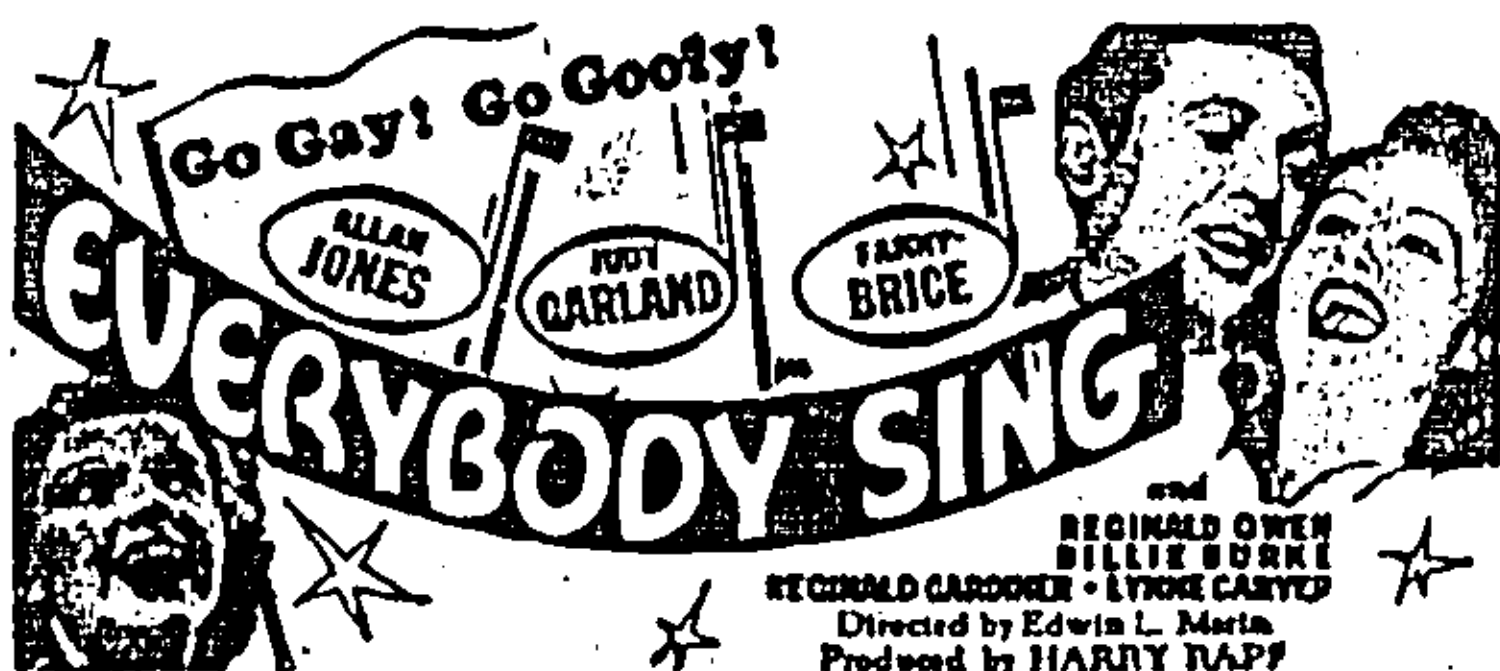
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PALESTINE VIOLENCE CONTINUES

24-Hour Curfew Re-imposed

JERUSALEM, Jan. 22.
BEHOR MURASH, a prominent Jewish merchant was shot dead by Arabs in the heart of the city to-day.

A 24-hour curfew has been imposed in Jerusalem, while the Old City was searched following the murder of Behor Murash.

Unknown men shot and killed Sheikh Nabulsi, a mosque gatekeeper to-day.
Two Jews were wounded while unloading petrol at the Imperial Airways seaplane base on the Sea of Galilee.

Another message from Jerusalem says that Ragheb Nasrallah, leader of the Palestine Arab Defence Party (Moderates) broke a long silence by calling to his cousin, who is acting as leader of the party. The cable expressed approval of the recent parleys with the authorities concerning representation of the Defence Party at the London conversations.

The fact that the party leader has broken a silence which terrorism hitherto had made advisable, is regarded as a significant development. —Reuter.

Social Items

A meeting of the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pledge Union will be held at the Challenge Bookshop, Ice House Street, on Wednesday, January 25, at 5.30 p.m., when a talk will be given by Mrs. Irene Short entitled "Activities of the War Resisters' International." The meeting is open to the public.

The wedding of Miss Letitia Nancy Edwards to the Rev. Edwin Badger took place at All Saints' Church, Kobe, recently. After returning from their honeymoon, they will make their home at Himeji, where the Rev. Mr. Badger is a missionary priest in the Nippon Seikokwai. The bride, previous to her marriage, was also stationed at Himeji.

The wedding of Miss Lucienne Poulain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ellison, of Shanghai, to Mr. Edward Stutz of Kobe, took place in Shanghai recently at the Consulate General for Switzerland. The bride was given away by her father and only intimate friends of the family attended the ceremony. Both the bride and groom have been residents of Kobe for several years and are well-known there. The groom is connected with the Osaka office of Lieberman, Weichli and Company, and the bride has been with Teikoku Sanso Kabushiki Kaisha.

Brought all the way over from England for the lovely, the lovely veil of Old Limerick lace which has adorned brides of the Arundell family for more than two hundred years, was worn by Miss Gwenifer Livingstone Lewis as she exchanged marriage vows with Philip Grenville Harris-Arundell in the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila.

BOMBED FROM AIR

British Conduct Raid On Indian Hamlet

Peshawar, Jan. 22.
A small hamlet in Kachia valley, northern Waziristan, used by the Fakir of Ipi as a base from which he instigated raids on Bannu and Dera Ismail Khan districts, was bombed from the air to-day.

In accordance with the usual precautions of the authorities to avoid loss of civilian life, leaflets were dropped by aircraft giving the villagers 24 hours' warning to remove themselves and families from the scene of action.

The Fakir of Ipi has been harboured in the hamlet in defiance of Government orders and warnings. —Reuter.

A.R.P. In Chungking

WAR CAPITAL IS HONEYCOMBED WITH TUNNELS

CHUNGKING, Jan. 22.

WHEN THE air-raid sirens shriek their warning signal this summer, more than 100,000 of Chungking's estimated population of 700,000 will trek swiftly to the capital city's newest bomb-proof shelter, a 4,100 metre tunnel drilled into solid rock.

When the war is over, China's engineers will be prepared to show the world how a war-shelter can be quickly turned into a peace-time subway, China's first.

Chungking itself is still comparatively safe from mass bombings. Japanese planes have flown over the city five times during the hostilities and have found the city but once.

A blanket of clouds, mist and smoke shrouds the city virtually every day. Until this blanket lifts or the Japanese planes encounter one of the few sunny days, the city will be comparatively safe.

Chinese anti-aircraft units outside the city with the exception of the last raid have remained silent and all Chinese fighting craft grounded during the raids in order not to give away the exact locality to the raiders.

FORCED TO FLY HIGH

In addition, Japanese bombers are forced to fly high—sacrificing accuracy for safety—in order to escape the attacking Chinese pursuit planes.

The flying distance from Hankow, the present Japanese base to Chungking, is too great for the limited cruising range of the fast Japanese pursuit planes, so the bombers are forced to depend on their own armaments for protection.

During the first raid the Japanese bombers made on Chengtu, which is only slightly further from Hankow than is Chungking, six of the heavy bombers were shot down by the faster Chinese pursuit planes. One of the Chinese American pilots, now employed by the Chinese Government, testified to this, and then pointed out that if the Japanese had been able to use a protective squadron of pursuit planes, probably none of the bombers would have been lost.

BOMB-PROOF TUNNEL

Recognising the possibility of a Japanese thrust to the west, where a base could be established for daily attacks on Chungking, to Ichang and the actuality of coming summer days when the cloud blanket would no longer protect Chungking, Chinese engineers studied the problem and produced plans for a bomb-proof tunnel.

Ground was broken on August 13, 1938, the first anniversary of the outbreak of the Shanghai hostilities. Since then, more than 450 labourers have been excavating the tunnel, while hundreds of other coolies trot up and down the hills, carrying the excavated sandstone to the river and other points where the stone can be used for construction purposes.

Most of the excavation is by manual labour, although two drilling machines are used. Occasionally, a terrific blast rocks the city streets when the rock is broken up by the Chinese in place of dynamite. —Is exploded. Engineers lament the lack of drilling machines, for the project would have been completed by late February instead of this summer if such machines were available.

20 ENTRANCES

There are 20 entrances to the tunnel, and either by chance or choice, the main entrance is at "Gate of the Goddess of Mercy," outside Tung Yuan Men, the west gate to the city. There is an entrance at each of the five city gates, one just off the main business centre, and one in Central Park (where a few scrappy animals and birds hold forth in the capital's only zoo).

These entrances lead direct from the streets, while others are formed by ladders, and one by a shaft.

The tunnel will be 2.5 metres wide and the same distance from top to bottom. The arched ceiling is from 10 to 30 metres from the surface of the ground above, and is constructed mostly through solid rock. Wherever

earth is encountered, concrete arches are being constructed to make the tunnel bomb-proof.

AIR PUMPED IN

Ten air pumps, each of five to ten horsepower will be installed to provide ventilation. A generator will also be installed to provide light, and also power for a system of loud speakers whereby instructions can be broadcast to the people in the tunnel during raids.

After the war is ended, the tunnel will be converted into a subway, for passenger and freight traffic from one end of the peninsula to the other, a Chinese official told the United Press. To go from one end of the city to the other now involves either walking up and down endless flights of steps or following a tortuous winding street that is jammed all hours of the day with thousands of coolies and pedestrians.

Total construction cost is estimated at 700,000 Chinese dollars. The Ministry of Finance allocated 200,000 yuan of this while the remainder will be borne by the Chungking Air Defence Headquarters.

CHOKED WITH REFUGEES

Because all of Chungking's buildings are old and constitute a real fire hazard, the city is choked with three times its normal population, the fire-fighting equipment is scanty and water-pressure is low, every effort has been made to provide bomb-proof shelters. More than 50 public dugouts have been constructed on the various hillsides, each 30 to 40 metres long and capable of accommodating 500 people or more. Many individuals and organizations have constructed other and smaller dugouts. A few well-placed high-explosive and incendiary bombs would not only partially destroy the city but would kill or maim thousands of civilians, and as a Chinese official told the United Press, "we will make a catancombs out of the 'mountain city'—Chungking—if we have to in order to save lives." —United Press.

New Purge In Russia

Moscow, Jan. 22.
Over 100 executive officials have been dismissed or reduced in rank during the past week in a campaign to lighten up labour discipline.

The campaign extended to civil aviation with the announcement that ten pilots, engineers, and executive officers had been dismissed for unpunctuality.

The dismissals include M. Molokov, chief of civil aviation in the Far East, who will be prosecuted for absence from his post on January 7 and 8, which is the Russian orthodox Christmas. —Reuter.

German Warning To The Czechs

Berlin, Jan. 22.
M. Chvalkovsky, the Czech Foreign Minister, has been given to understand that there should not be room in Czechoslovakia for a policy directed against Germany, said a German spokesman, commenting on M. Chvalkovsky's visit.

M. Chvalkovsky's discussions with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop and Herr Hitler were restricted to economic problems and political relations, and military questions were not touched.

The "National Zeitung" expects from the visit further improvement in Czechoslovak relations, not only with Germany, but also Hungary. —Reuter.

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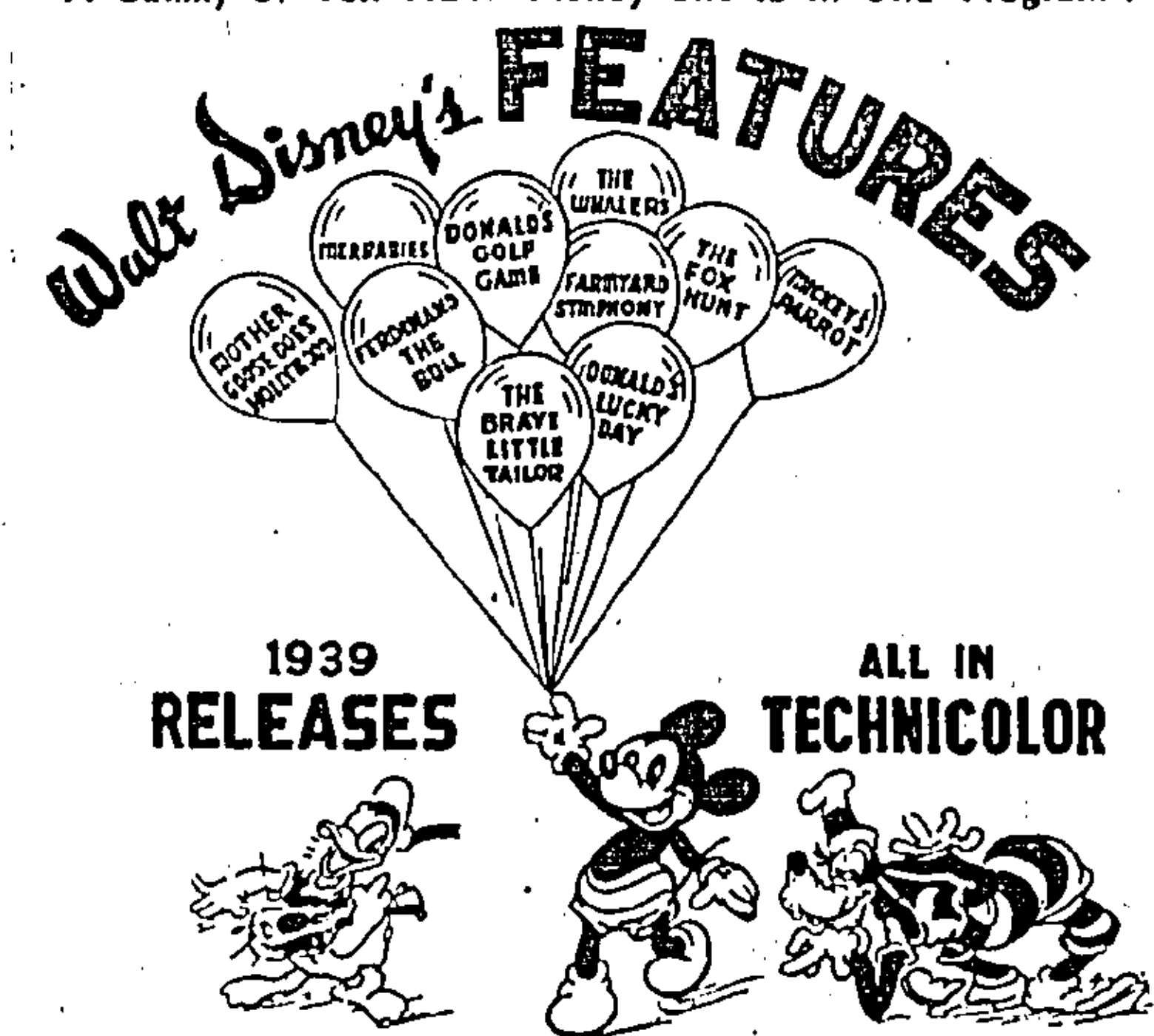


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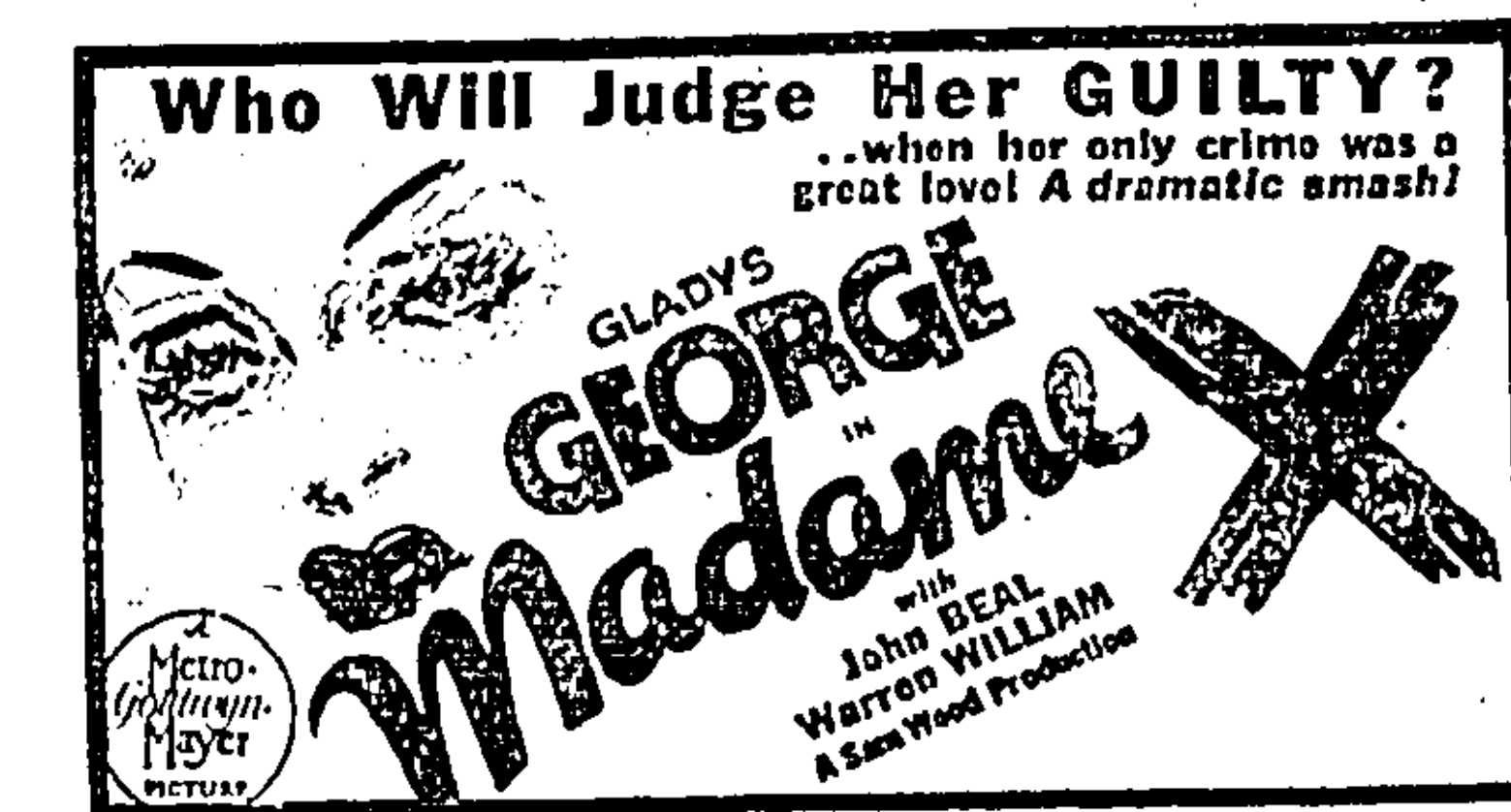
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CAIRO, Jan. 22.
THE REPORT that the Palestine Arab delegates have decided not to go to London is denied by Dr. Husselnni Khalidi, one of the delegates, who was formerly Mayor of Jerusalem.

He told "Reuter": "We are starting for London on Tuesday, and are hopeful of success."

Meanwhile Nouri Said, accompanied by Jamal Huddani left this morning by air for Beirut where, it is understood, he will endeavour to persuade the Grand Mufti to agree to the British Government's desire that all the Palestine parties, including the opposition, should be represented at the London conference.

It was understood that this desire was stressed in a communication the London conference. —Reuter.

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